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BYRNE'S CAREER MAY BE OVER

**SURGERY
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THE need for reconstruction of a knee joint could spell the end for Blacktown City's former Socceroo midfielder Gary Byrne.

The injury has hit him just as he was recovering from the effect of two broken ribs and a punctured lung.

Coach Casey de Bruin said: "It is the same injury that put Tony Rasmussen out last year and means that the leg will be in plaster for three months."

"Gary is over 30 and that puts serious doubts on his ability to come back into top-class football again."

The irony of the matter is that the injury

BY

KEITH GILMOUR

came in a minor incident in the Youth League game against Sydney Olympic at Gabbie Stadium.

The ball was played down the line and Byrne took defensive action by volleying it out of play. No tackle was involved.

Byrne joined the Demons on their return to

the NSL last season after a highly successful career with Marconi and Canberra Arrows.

The ability to aid the attack with neat short passes has been his trademark as well as his deadly penalty kicks.

Only nine players have ever made more appearances than Byrne in Australia's colours.

He could have added considerably to his tally of 33 full internationals but for his much-celebrated fall-out with former Socceroo coach Rudi Gutendorf.



CANBERRA STAR FOR OPERATION

STEVE BRYANT (pictured), Canberra City Olympians' experienced left midfielder, goes into hospital tomorrow for an exploratory operation on his knee.

Canberra coach Roy Thomson said: "Steve has been hampered by a mystery injury to his left knee for some time now and this has prevented him giving me his best performance."

"He will go into hospital tomorrow to have the exploratory op done and should it be something serious, I want him to undergo the necessary operation immediately and get it over and done with once and for all."

"The injury has dragged out too long and it's no good for Steve, the team or me," Thomson stated.

Should Bryant require an operation, sweeper Terry Byrne will push into the left side of midfield, with Peter Burke joining Jim Harkins in the middle of Canberra's back-four.

— JOHN ECONOMOS

HAMILTON SET FOR DEBUT

APIA LEICHHARDT's new midfield acquisition Jim Hamilton is expected to make his debut for the club in today's NSL match against Sydney Olympic.

Hamilton is fully fit after arriving from Britain 10 days ago.

He played for the now-defunct Newcastle KB United in the National League in 1982 and has spent the past two years with Scottish Second Division club Queen of the South.

Apia central defender Arno Bertogna is also back to full fitness and is likely to resume his place in the side for today's match, although coach Fil Bottalico said he will not finalise his team until after midnight.

A groin strain kept Bertogna out of action for the last two NSL matches.

Last week, the former Newcastle and Wollongong player was named in the New South Wales squad for the interstate match against Queensland on Anzac Day.

— BRAD EARL

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ZARKO ODZAKOV

ODZAKOV REIGNS SUPREME

St George 1 Sydney Croatia 3

ZARKO ODZAKOV showed that he will be worth every cent of his \$21,000 transfer fee from Preston as Sydney Croatia scampered home to a 3-1 win over St George at St George Stadium.

His cross from the left wing, although gamely scooped out by Soccer-o keeper Terry Greedy, resulted in Graham Arnold's 46th minute goal and a 1-1 half-time scoreline.

Then in the 70th minute he combined perfectly with Bruno Vidaic who forged ahead to give Croatia the lead.

And on one occasion he rocked the crossbar for what might well have been a personal goal as well.

Saints began the game with a promotional kick-off by State Opposition leader Nick Greiner, who manfully did his job in his natty sports outfit.

But at the end of the day all the Saints could savour was the excellent gate-takings from the 5,856 attendance, many of whom streamed into the ground just before the start.

They certainly could make little claim to tidiness in the finishing department. So many crosses failed to find their mark and rarely was there a man in position to press home their advantage.

Their man of the match was Soccer-o goalkeeper Terry Greedy. He did wonders to keep them in the game.

Saints opened with two glorious attacks. Roy Cotton had a poke from a Vic Bozanic cross and then Greg Woodhouse managed to fingertip away a scorching header from the same player.

Typical of Greedy's display on the day was a save from Vedran Rozic's curling free-kick — a shot that was destined to be a goal if ever there was one.

Cotton collected a penalty for the Saints in the 38th minute after Woodhouse had checked Robbie Slater's progress and it seemed that would be the half-time score.

But much to their coach Frank Arok's disgust, the half went over time and at that stage Arnold netted the equaliser.

Cotton produced a great effort in the 65th minute but Woodhouse, who did not have the best of games positionally, on this occasion was well-placed to save.

From there Croatia

BY KEITH GILMOUR

took over. Vidaic started the move five minutes later, Odzakov helped out on the right and Vidaic forged ahead to score.

Jim Patikas put the icing on the Croat cake af-

ter Arnold had cleverly switched play from not far from the left touch-line. Patikas stuttered, gained control and then passed Greedy with a shot into the corner.

Man of the match: ZARKO ODZAKOV, with Patikas, Rozic and Greedy the also-rans.

ST GEORGE: Greedy, Skeen, Koczka, Green (Barton 46), Ratcliffe, M. O'Shea, Slater, Stone, Cotton (Marton 72), J. O'Shea, Bozanic.

SYDNEY CROATIA: Woodhouse, M. Kovacic, Basic, Rezo, Rozic, Vidaic, Jurin (A. Kovacic 90), Savor, Arnold, Patikas (Tomasich 87), Odzakov. REFEREE: J. Reeves. CROWD: 5,856.

NSL RESULTS

NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD 2 (Brandt, Jones) CANBERRA CITY 2 (Harkins, Phillips) at Adamstown Oval. Crowd: 1,900.
PENRITH CITY 3 (Hunter, Ainsworth, Easthorpe) WOLLONGONG CITY 0 at Cook Park. Crowd: 357.
INTER MONARO 2 (Brennan, Dragicevic) SYDNEY CITY 3 (Farina, Gomez, Barnes) at Seiffert Oval. Crowd: 965.
MARCONI 2 (Brown, Gray) BLACKTOWN CITY 1 (Botalicco) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 1,639.
ST GEORGE 1 (Cotton) SYDNEY CROATIA 3 (Arnold, Vidaic, Patikas) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 5,852.
TO PLAY TODAY: SYDNEY OLYMPIC v APIA LEICHHARDT.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney City	5	4	0	1	15	7	8
Sydney Croatia	5	3	1	1	11	7	7
Canberra City	5	2	3	0	9	5	7
Marconi	5	2	3	0	9	7	7
Apia Leichhardt	4	3	0	1	8	6	6
Blacktown City	5	3	0	2	5	5	6
Penrith City	5	1	2	2	5	4	4
Sydney Olympic	4	2	0	2	2	2	4
Wollongong City	5	2	0	3	10	15	4
St George	5	1	1	3	4	5	3
Newcastle	5	0	2	3	5	10	2
Inter Monaro	5	0	0	5	4	14	0

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

WEST ADELAIDE 1 (Konstandopoulos) HEIDELBERG 1 (Tasios) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 2,700.
PRESTON 4 (Spink, Cole, Ilioski, Smith) ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Villani, Rankin) at Connor Reserve. Crowd: 2,000.
SOUTH MELBOURNE 0 BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Middle Park. Crowd: 3,500.
GREEN GULLY 1 (Lewis) SUNSHINE GC 1 (Toal) at Green Gully Reserve. Crowd: 3,500.
BRISBANE CITY 1 (Bromfield) MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Ward) at Spencer Park. Crowd: 1,823.
TO PLAY TODAY: BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS v FOOTSCRAY.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Heidelberg	5	3	2	0	9	2	8
South Melbourne	5	3	2	0	9	5	8
Melbourne Croatia	5	3	1	1	9	3	7
Preston	5	3	1	1	8	5	7
Sunshine GC	5	2	2	1	3	3	6
West Adelaide	5	2	1	2	5	5	5
Brisbane Lions	5	2	1	2	4	4	5
Green Gully	5	1	2	2	6	6	4
Brunswick Juventus	4	1	2	1	4	4	4
Brisbane City	5	0	2	3	2	7	2
Adelaide City	5	0	2	3	5	11	2
Footscray	4	0	0	4	2	9	0

TOP SCORERS

8 — Egan (Sth Melb)
4 — Arnold (Syd Croatia), Lewis (Green Gully), Jankovics (Marc), Farina (Syd City)

GREAT SECOND HALF BURST FROM PENRITH

Penrith 3 Wollongong 0

BY BRAD EARL

A STORMING second half performance by Penrith City earned them their first win of the season when they over-ran Wollongong City 3-0 at Cook Park.

In an even first half, both sides missed good chances but Penrith's aggressive second half attacking display saw them post an easy victory.

Former Youth international Ian Hunter is clearly out to prove to coach Willie Wallace that he deserves a place in the starting line-up, and he played with renewed vigour after coming on as a 39th minute replacement.

The change was forced on Penrith when midfielder Bobby Hebb experienced breathing difficulties.



JEFF AINSWORTH: Penrith's hero.

Wallace was pleased to see a more fighting performance from Hunter, although he said he must add more consistency to his game.

It was a good all-round performance by Penrith, with much more committed performances from attackers Ian Wotherspoon and Brian Jackson.

Penrith's opening goal in the 56th minute was scored by Hunter, but it was the intelligent work of sweeper Jeff Ainsworth that set up the chance.

After a period of Penrith pressure inside the Wollongong penalty area, the ball was only cleared as far as Ainsworth. As the Wolves came out, Ainsworth carried the ball through unchecked and laid the ball off for Hunter to strike from 12 metres.

Four minutes later, Ainsworth scored against his old club when he banged the ball over the line following a flick-on by Don Campbell to a Rene Licata corner.

Wollongong's inexperienced line-up couldn't come up with an answer to Penrith's determined ball-winning, and the home side took the score to 3-0 with 10 minutes remaining.

Brian Jackson won the ball from Peter Willis to put Randall Easthorpe away, and he kept his cool and chipped lanky Wollongong goalkeeper Natch Vardareff from 18 metres.

It was a superb piece of finishing from the teenage striker, who had replaced Licata 20 minutes from the end.

Wollongong coach Adrian Alston said his team should have made more use of right striker Bernie Godzik, who looked good on the few occasions he received the ball.

Man of the match: Penrith sweeper **JEFF AINSWORTH** is in fine form with his cool defence and excellent ability to convert play into attack.

PENRITH: Gibson; Brogan, Cross, Ainsworth, McIntosh; Hebb (Hunter 39), Campbell, Toohey; Wotherspoon, Jackson, Licata (Easthorpe 70).

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff; Green, Condran (Brodnik 61), Willis, Dickson; Bundalo, Hristovski, Kerr; Godzik, Kotamandis, Giannone. REFEREE: R. Lorenc. CROWD: 357.

NSL YOUTH LEAGUE

NEWCASTLE 0 CANBERRA CITY 2 (Shields, Mazis).
PENRITH CITY 0 WOLLONGONG CITY 2 (Corradini, Nees).
INTER MONARO 0 SYDNEY CITY 8.
MARCONI 1 (Maceri) BLACKTOWN CITY 2 (Thompson, Brown).
ST GEORGE 1 (Watson) SYDNEY CROATIA 0.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Canberra City	5	4	1	0	12	6	9
Sydney City	5	3	2	0	15	1	8
Blacktown City	5	3	1	1	8	4	7
St George	5	3	1	1	9	6	7
Wollongong City	5	3	0	2	8	8	6
Newcastle	5	2	1	2	7	6	5
Sydney Olympic	5	1	3	1	5	6	5
AIS	3	1	2	0	5	4	4
Apia Leichhardt	4	1	2	1	5	5	3
Marconi	5	0	3	2	9	11	3
Inter Monaro	6	1	1	4	7	20	3
Sydney Croatia	5	0	2	3	6	11	2
Penrith City	6	0	1	5	5	12	1

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MARCONI'S BROWN BOUNCES BACK

Marconi..... 2 Blacktown..... 1

ROD BROWN, still not 100 percent after his serious facial injury, played for Marconi against Blacktown and was mainly responsible for his side's so-narrow 2-1 victory.

Brown, one of the Youth Soccerroo class of '83, never shirked a tackle and was constantly mobile, emphasising how well he has thrown off his injury fears.

Marconi coach Les Scheinflug admitted after the match: "There was one occasion when Brown took a bad tumble and I was worried he would damage the face again. But he came through the match very well."

In fact, we saw a glimpse of the old Rod Brown when he scored the vital first goal in the 16th minute.

BY DAVID JACK

A well-placed shot from his Youth team colleague David Lowe was too hot for Blacktown goalkeeper Barry Hoare to handle and as the ball spilled free, Brown was on to it in a flash to score.

That was the only incident of note in a quiet first half but Blacktown started to dictate affairs after the interval when Craig Mason had to be taken off with a knee injury.

Mason's absence handicapped Marconi's midfield, allowing

the Demons to make several dangerous raids on the home goalmouth.

In the 63rd minute, substitute Alex Bottalico levelled for Blacktown, running in fast to force a John Bradley centre over the line.

Botalico also played an unwitting part in Marconi's winning goal.

A corner kick by Martin Driene in the 74th minute went to Ian Gray who scored his first goal for his new club, but the ball took a deflection off Bottalico.

Nothing goes right for Marconi in the battle to get 11 fit men on the field.

Against Blacktown, notable Marconi absentees were Bruce James, Peter Tredinick, Joe Rizzotto, Peter Sharpe and Mark Jankovics.

Now Craig Mason's name has been added to the list of walking wounded.

Blacktown boss Casey de Bruin was quite pleased with his side's showing, making the comment: "We are creating scoring chances and the team looks a lot better than it did last year."

Man of the match: ROD BROWN for the very good reason that his smartly-taken opportunist goal set Marconi on the road to victory.

MARCONI: McPherson, Carter, Sterrey, Henderson, Calderan, Mason (Red 45), Gray, Lowe, Brown, Driene, Gunning (Genc 75).

BLACKTOWN CITY: Hoare, Skellern, Bourke, Wheatley, Pointer, Selvage, Knight, Thornthwaite, Bradley, Larkin (Bottalico), O'Connor.

REFEREE: T. Davies.
CROWD: 1,639.



CRAIG MASON

PUSSYFOOT PENALTY FOR CLUB

THE English FA is in hot water over its refusal to hit Chelsea hard after regular crowd misbehaviour.

An FA commission investigated last month's riot at the Chelsea v Sunderland match and did nothing more substantial than warn

Chelsea about future trouble and insist on upgrading security at the Stamford Bridge ground.

British politicians are now getting into the act — with Prime Minister Maggie Thatcher leading the way.

One Member of Parliament, Peter Snape, who is a director of Stockport County said: "This is an appalling and disgraceful abdication of responsibility by the FA."

"The FA would have given the Boston Strangler three months' probation."

ROSEBUD TEAM PICKS ITSELF

Newcastle 2 Canberra..... 2

"THE side that finished today will start on Wednesday night," said coach Willie Gallagher after watching Newcastle fight back to draw with Canberra.

Newcastle meet Brisbane Lions in Wednesday night's NSL Cup quarter-final and Gallagher has determined that form will decide his selection.

Rosebud, despite their home ground advantage, looked dead and buried when an eager and well-organised Canberra jumped to a 2-0 lead after 22 minutes and still held that advantage with just 10 minutes to go.

But Newcastle, who are making a speciality of coming from behind,

plucked two goals out of the hat in just seven minutes to earn a valuable point.

Jim Harkins opened Canberra's account early by heading home Ian Gibson's pinpoint corner.

Eight minutes later Hilton Phillips controlled and volleyed spectacularly from 20 metres to give Canberra what appeared a winning margin.

That lead looked all the more emphatic after a series of incidents in the Canberra penalty area saw Newcastle

come excruciatingly close to scoring.

A penalty claim denied, a spectacular but wayward diving header by Neil Owens and a crossbar-rattling drive by David Jones only succeeded in making the home team's supporters believe it was going to be "one of those days."

Canberra, with Tom Sermanni working overtime, out-chased the Newcastle midfield up until the 61st minute when Gallagher made a key substitution.

On came 18 year old

SLICKERS STRUGGLE FOR WIN

Inter Monaro 2 Sydney City..... 3

THE Sydney Slickers nearly paid the price of taking cellar-dwellers Inter Monaro too lightly at Seiffert Oval.

The League leaders scraped home by the odd goal in five.

With goals in the 11th and 34th minutes, the Slickers looked as though they would cruise to an easy victory but Monaro had other ideas.

The appointment of new coach Frank Maccarone was accompanied by a reconciliation with Baz Giampaolo, Tony Brennan and Walter Valeri.

The home team gave their fans money's worth in a valiant second half fightback.

Gerry Gomez was strong in the air for the Slickers, heading down a corner for Frank Farina to score the first goal, and nodding in the second himself after he beat keeper Michael Hocking to a high ball from Grant Lee.

Valeri's comeback lasted only 25 minutes, most of it spent in pain after he had skied a shot at goal in the second minute and pulled a thigh muscle.

Brennan had a happier day, coming off the bench just before the hour ticked over and scoring seven minutes later.

BY KEN HEALEY

He latched on to a ball provided by the creative Chris Thamnidis and slotted it home from close range.

The third of the returning Monaro stars, Giampaolo, looked as though he needed the run and narrowly missed two or three chances that would have given Monaro a point.

Incredibly the Slickers could not mount a significant attack for the first 25 minutes of the second half, during which time Brennan opened Monaro's account.

The game was won in the 73rd minute when a dubious free-kick went the Slickers' way and Murray Barnes, who had replaced Paul Kay only six minutes earlier, enjoyed a free header at the far post for the third goal.

Still Monaro would not concede defeat. Attilo Carbone chipped a free-kick on to Emil Dragicevic's forehead just five minutes later and the newcomer headed Monaro's second goal.

The home team deserved a point for the fightback, while Eddie Thomson was curt in his post-match description of the Slickers performance.

"Garbage" and "rubbish" were the words he used.

In an extraordinary refereeing display, Glyn Davies handed out six yellow cards, all for alleged professional fouls, three of them for handball. Neither the players nor the crowd could believe the decisions.

Man of the match: Monaro winger CHRIS THAMNIDIS who constantly beat defenders and served his strikers unselfishly.

MONARO: Hocking, Budini, Gaglietti, Santolin, Titlis, Willox (Brennan 59), Carbone, Dragicevic, Giampaolo, Valeri (C. Ambrosino 25), Thamnidis.

SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano, Cant, Robertson, O'Connor, de Marigny, Kay (Barnes 65), Watson, Gomez, Farina (Rodrigues 73), Kosmina, Lee.

REFEREE: G. Davies.
CROWD: 965.

BY NEIL JAMESON

midfielder Terry Mason, and suddenly Rosebud looked capable of troubling their opponents.

It was Mason's doggedness on the left in the 80th minute that enable him to ride two tackles before cutting the ball back into the penalty area.

Simon Brandt arrived, mis-hit his left-foot shot but was accurate enough to find the net from 12 metres.

Just three minutes from time the ball

reached David Jones he teed it up for his left foot and drilled home a 22 metre scoring shot that skipped over a plunging Tony Franken.

Man of the match: DAVID JONES, always purposeful and direct, served to remind others that the game is still about scoring goals.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling, Maier, Boogaard, Owens, Thompson, Senkalski, Kerby (Mason 61), McQuarrie, Brandt, D. Jones, Stewart.

CANBERRA: Franken, Ontong, Jones, Mihailidis, Harkins, Byrne, Phillips, Sermanni, Lamond, Bryant, Gibson.

REFEREE: G. Warne.
CROWD: 1,988.

All the NSL action — Southern Division

A NEW GREEK HERO! HUNTER TAMES THE CHAMPS

DOWN through the ages there have been many Greek heroes, and another emerged on Sunday — at least as far as West Adelaide fans were concerned.

His name is George Konstandopoulos, the 20-year-old blonde bombshell striker who grabbed the equaliser for a 1-1 draw with Southern Division leaders Heidelberg at Hindmarsh Stadium.

His goal, from the left of the box after accepting a pass from giant midfielder Chris Manou, came after a cool feint and a precise ground shot with only two minutes left to play.

It brought as big a roar as the appearance of former Hungarian superstar Ferenc Puskas, who led SA's veteran Hungarians against Juventus Old Boys in the curtain-raiser.

And there might have been the upset of the day in the last minute when West's other front-runner Gary Price had only Jeff Olver to beat but saw the goalkeeper come out and block his lob on the edge of the penalty area.

The vocal Heidelberg contingent who travelled from Melbourne almost brought the stand down in the 10th minute when midfielder Steve Tasios latched on to a ball which rebounded off home keeper Gary Sproul, after he had

BY TOM MCKAIN

blocked a shot from Stewart Stevenson.

West then had to throw everything into attack, and at times it showed with huge gaps at the back, Tasios came close again for Heidelberg. So did Stephen Winn, Theo Selemidis and Charlie Yankos.

West coach Neil McGachey was pleased with the result but said it would have been a victory but for the fact that he had to field Price, John Panagis and Alan Scott carrying injuries, and was without captain and stopper Graham Honeyman, who failed a late fitness test.

Stevenson, Winn and Patterson were outstanding for Heidelberg with Ian McGregor, Manou and Konstandopoulos starring for West.

Man of the match: West's **GEORGE KONSTANDOPOULOS**, not just for that equalising goal, but the gutsy 90-minute performance knowing he had to take the weight off the walking wounded Price and Scott.

WEST ADELAIDE: Sproul, McGregor, Hiern, Brown, Scott, Panagis (Genikas 83), Atsalas, Manou, Konstandopoulos, Price, Matiscsak (Mousoulis 79).
HEIDELBERG: Olver, McKie, Marley, Angele, Valentine, Selemidis, Tasios, Stevenson, Winn, Patterson, Yankos.
REFEREE: J. Rossis.
CROWD: 2,186.

LION-HEARTED Brisbane Lions held erratic South Melbourne to a 0-0 draw at Melbourne's Middle Park.

A faultless display by Lions' defensive tower Alan Hunter enabled the underdogs to return home with a point from what had been picked as the most lop-sided encounter of the fifth round.

On Sunday's display Hunter must come into contention for the national team.

MELBOURNE ROUND-UP
BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

The game started at a frenetic pace and it soon became evident that Lions had travelled to Melbourne determined to upset the reigning Australian champions.

And they achieved a goal with some incisive attacks from Joe Cairney and Danny Wright, both back in the NSL side from injury, forcing the home defence against the ropes.

South Melbourne also had a moment of brilliance but failed to live up to their reputation.

The best scoring opportunity appeared in the 28th minute when Oscar Crino put Charlie Egan through with a precision pass, but the lurking striker lobbed the ball over the crossbar.

Ten minutes later Lions keeper Wayne Evans breathed a sigh of relief when Doug Brown smashed the ball against the bar after an exchange with Carl Halford and Egan.

Lions' best scoring chance came in the 76th minute when Wright connected with a low cross from Clark Anderson and unleashed a blistering shot which South keeper Peter Laumets deflected with great difficulty.

In spite of the loss of two points within the space of seven days, South Melbourne share the leadership of the Southern Division of the NSL.

But yesterday's performance caused a lot of concern among loyal supporters.

Man of the match: ALAN HUNTER for his faultless display.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets, Russell, Postecoglou, Blair, Yzendoorn, Halford, McDowell, Crino, Brown, Murphy, Egan.

BRISBANE LIONS: Evans, Jackson, T. Redmond, Hunter, Niven, R. Stewart, J. Stewart, Wright, Cairney, Anderson (McGregor 86), Tonner.

REFEREE: J. Fearn.
CROWD: 4,093.

A LATE recovery by Preston enabled them to convert a two-goal deficit to a 4-2 win at Connor Reserve.

Coach Bill Murray stated after the game: "Preston have got the strength and the talent to destroy any opponent, providing they make timely use of both of these attributes."

And that was exactly the case at the Reserve on Sunday.

It took 65 minutes for the sleeping giant to flex its muscles and overturn the game in its favour.

Adelaide City had gone into the lead after 29 minutes with Charlie Villani and three minutes later Peter Rankin doubled the margin to give his side a comfortable lead at half-time.

Adelaide City continued dominating and could have put the result beyond doubt had their forwards netted a third goal.

The turning point in the game came in the 61st minute when Murray substituted Gordon Flavell with Graham Heys.

The nippy midfielder lifted his side and mounted some attacks that caused Adelaide City to retreat.

Warren Spink netted the equaliser in the 65th minute and Preston gradually took a tight grip on the game and managed to level the score in the 78th minute with Gary Cole.

Zoran Ilioski put Preston in the lead in the 81st minute and Steve Smith completed the recovery in the 84th minute with the last goal.

PRESTON: Traianidis, Opasinas, McMillan, Dobson, Dunn, Flavell (Heys 61), Ilioski, Cole, Lane, Smith, Spink.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally, Donnelly, Santrac, Nyskohus, Flounders, Cecere, Northcote, Mullen, Villani, Maxwell, Rankin.

REFEREE: C. Bambridge.
CROWD: 2,101.

GREEN GULLY and Sunshine George Cross played an uninspiring 1-1 draw in the all-Maltese derby.

Two goals in the space of two minutes livened the dull encounter, and gave spectators some value for their money.

The draw was compensation for Green Gully supporters who were disappointed by the elimination of their team in the NSL Cup, while to the eager supporters of Sunshine George Cross the loss of a point was a deterrent in the race to the top of the table.

Sunshine George Cross have accumulated six points in five games and yesterday's performance — though it wasn't the best — was yet another sign of the improvement the team has shown under the leadership of two renowned former players John Gardiner and Jimmy Rooney.

Green Gully broke the deadlock in the 88th minute when Steve Scerri fouled Paul Lewis inside the box.

Lewis himself converted the penalty kick to give his side the lead.

But before Green Gully supporters had finished rejoicing Bobby Toal grabbed the equaliser for their side.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, McLelland, Murray, Gun, Cannell, (McKenna 78), Smart, Vassallo, Lloyd, Williams, Lewis, Lucchesi.

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS: Kastner, Taylor, Campbell, Richardson, Scerri, Bennett, McLaren, Faulkner, McGorian, Gilder, Toal.

REFEREE: S. Zoumas.
CROWD: 2,500.

A WELCOME RETURN

BY GREG RUSSELL

AFTER two years in the Queensland soccer wilderness, Jim Hermiston returned to the National League scene triumphantly by coaching Brisbane City to a 1-1 draw against classy Melbourne side Melbourne Croatia at Spencer Park.

"It's a good way to start, hopefully it will be the beginning of a dream come true," Hermiston said.

And it could have been an even better return for the Scotsman, who coached Brisbane City in 1983, as his enthusiastic side nearly snatched its first win of the season after it took the lead in the 62nd minute.

The goal came from a controversial penalty decision by referee Bill Monteverde, who earlier had rejected an appeal from Croatia and on another occasion had pointed to the penalty spot for City but overturned his decision on the linesman's advice.

Garry Bromfield was given the penalty after a Frank Mengotti cross had hit Croatia full-back George Hannah on the arm.

A disappointed Hannah said after the match the incident was totally unintentional as he was falling when the ball made contact.

But Bromfield, appointed as penalty-taker after misses earlier in the season by Billy Wilkinson and Luciano Fabrizio, swept his shot low into the bottom right corner.

And for a while the City side, which was similar to the teams fielded in recent weeks by former coach Tony Lowndes, looked like hanging on for a win.

But in the 81st minute a lapse in concentration and some sloppy central defence marking allowed the ever-dangerous Josip Biskic to whip a low cross into the six yard box for Gary Ward to slip under the exposed Kim Wishart.

City appealed desperately for offside, but had been rightly punished for some poor play.

Man of the match: Croatia's **JOSIP BISKIC** who always threatened the City defence and looked menacing when he had the ball.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart, Mengotti, Milovanovic, Wilkinson, Bromfield, Junna (Chapman 59), Hamilton, Fabrizio, Carey (Scriggins 68), Glockner, Reis.
MELBOURNE CROATIA: Runje, Curcio, Parton (Jurcic 45), Hannah, Antolovic, Deankovic, Biskic, Gojevic, Ward, Cumming, House (Cristaldo 76).
REFEREE: B. Monteverde.
CROWD: 1,823.

NSL CUP QUARTER-FINAL ACTION

PRESTON ROMP IN

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

PRESTON steamrolled Green Gully on their way to the semi-finals of the NSL Cup with a convincing 3-1 win.

A first half attacking spree netted Preston three goals and signalled the miserable failure of Green Gully to live up to their reputation of giant-killers.

Midfielder Zoran Ilioski led the way with an accurate diagonal shot to opening the scoring.

Preston enhanced their lead in the 34th minute when Steve Smith latched on to a long goal-kick and slipped the ball under goalkeeper Lou Denys' body.

Smith scored Preston's third goal three minutes later blasting home a low cross from Sean Lane.

Denys saved Green Gully from the embarrassment of a fourth goal in the 77th minute when he blocked a penalty, taken by Lane, awarded against Vassallo for fouling McMillan.

Former Preston striker Claude Lucchesi netted Gully's consolation goal seven minutes before full-time.

Green Gully finished the game with 10 men when striker Paul Lewis left the field injured after coach Bobby McLachlan had used both substitutes.

Man of the match: STEVE SMITH proved his danger in attack for Preston by scoring both goals.

PRESTON: Traianidis, Opasinas, McMillan, Ilioski, Dobson (Heys 82), Dunn, Flavell, Lane, Smith, Spink, Cole.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Murray (Young 68), McLelland (McKenna 45), Cannell, Williams, Vassallo, Smart, Lloyd, Lucchesi, Lewis, Smallman.

REFEREE: J. Fearn.
CROWD: 1,500.

LAMOND'S LAMENT

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

YOUNG Canberra City striker Manis Lamond won't forget his team's NSL Cup quarter-final loss to Sydney Olympic at St George Stadium in a hurry.

Lamond, last year's NSL Youth League Player of the Year, was called upon to take part in the penalty shootout after the scores were locked at 1-1 after extra-time.

With the penalties at two goals apiece, Lamond drove his attempt against the crossbar — to the delight of the large Sydney Olympic crowd.

Although Canberra lost the match 5-4 on penalties, they can take heart from this performance.

Midway through the first half, the short but deadly front-runner scored a brilliant solo goal to level the score in the 75th minute after Nick Theodorakopoulos put Olympic ahead with a well-placed low drive in the 53rd minute.

Lamond was unlucky not to have equalised in the 59th minute when he skilfully cut through from halfway, left three defenders stranded and drove the ball home, but team-mate Marko Perinovic was ruled offside.

Man of the match: MANIS LAMOND is set for big year in the NSL. The youngster would be a valuable asset for the Youth Socceroos if he could change his Papua New Guinea citizenship.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: London, Johnston, Jennings, Svinos, Lambropoulos, Phillips, Raskopoulos, Koussas (Polias 71), Theodorakopoulos, Katholos, Kalantzis.

CANBERRA CITY: Franken, Ontong, Jones, Mihailidis (Farrell 71), Lamond, Byrne, Harkins, Sermanni, Perinovic (Burke 75), Bryant, Gibbons.

REFEREE: R. Lorenc.
CROWD: 1,511.

CROATIA'S RUN ENDS

BY TOM MCKAIN

ADELAIDE CROATIA's brave effort to be the first State League side to make the semi-finals of the NSL Cup shuddered to a halt at Hindmarsh Stadium.

George Cross got home 1-0 in the third minute of extra-time with a goal by Ossie Latif.

He was then sent off in the 12th minute of the second half of extra-time along with team-mate Roger Bain and Croatia's Boris Paleka and Alby Reich.

All had been involved in a general melee which would have resulted in more players off if referee Don Campbell had eyes in the back and sides of his head.

The game was a typical cup-tie, but Cross, apart from a flurry by Croatia at the start of the second half, were always in command and appeared to be biding their time — although they did leave it rather late.

Along with Latif, Noel Mitten, Carl Gilder and Don McLaren were always threatening.

At the other end of the field, big front-runner Paul Blute looked good in his last game before joining Sydney Croatia, but had to be carried off with a knee injury in the dying minutes.

Man of the match: OSSIE LATIF not only for his goal but for the panic he caused in the home defence every time he went near the ball.

ADELAIDE CROATIA: Siklich, Hutchins, Paleka, Maricic, Bridges, Key (Klein ET), Reich, Blute, Marve, Slager, Alмира.

SUNSHINE GC: Kastner, Taylor, Richardson, Bennett, Campbell, Faulkner, Bain, Mitten (Istuk ET), Latif, Gilder, McLaren.

REFEREE: D. Campbell.
CROWD: 1,026.

BIG CHANCE FOR NSW PAIR

ARNO BERTOINA and Graham Arnold have been catapulted back into Socceroo contention with their selection in the New South Wales squad for the Anzac Day match with Queensland.

Bertogna, the Apia Leichhardt central defender, withdrew from the Australian 'B' squad for last year's World Soccer Series and was

omitted from the Socceroos' world tour in November-December.

Bustling Sydney Croatia striker Arnold missed out on a tour spot

despite taking part in national squad training camps last year.

NSW coach Alan Vest has named the pair in his squad for the interstate fixture later this month.

Vest has chosen 18 players, but his final selection of 14 is dependent on the outcome of Sydney Olympic's NSL Cup semi-final against the winner of the Brisbane Lions v Newcastle Rosebud match.

Four Olympic players — left-back Graham Jennings, midfielder Peter Raskopoulos and strikers Chris Kalantzis and Marshall Soper — were named in the NSW squad.

Vest has selected only one goalkeeper, St George and Australian first-choice Terry Greedy.

BY BRAD EARL

Other current Australian players selected in the state squad are defenders Dave Ratcliffe, Alec Robertson and Jennings, midfielders Tommy McCulloch, Wally Savor, Joe Watson and Raskopoulos, and strikers John Kosmina and Soper.

Midfielder Peter Tredinnick, who joined Marconi in pre-season, is in doubt with a knee injury.

The full squad is:

GOALKEEPER: Terry Greedy (St George).

DEFENDERS: Gerry Gomez, David Ratcliffe, Vic Bozanic (St George), Graham Jennings (Sydney Olympic), Arno Bertogna (Apia Leichhardt).

MIDFIELDERS: Wally Savor, Jimmy Patikas (Sydney Croatia), Tommy McCulloch (Apia Leichhardt), Peter Raskopoulos (Sydney Olympic), Joe Watson (Sydney City), Peter Tredinnick (Marconi).

STRIKERS: Chris Kalantzis, Marshall Soper (Sydney Olympic), Grant Lee, John Kosmina (Sydney City), Graham Arnold (Sydney Croatia).



ARNO BERTOINA heads clear.

STOWELL PICKS TWO VETERANS

BY GREG RUSSELL

FORMER Brisbane Lions players Jim Hermiston and Ron Millman, who have not played in NSL regularly since 1982, are in the Queensland squad for the interstate clash against New South Wales at Perry Park on Anzac Day, April 25.

The pair, who now play in Queensland's Premier League are among seven players in Bruce Stowell's 16-man squad who have not played National League this season.

The Queensland squad, which will be trimmed by two on April 23, is: Wayne Evans, Steve Jackson, Alan Hunter, Alan Niven, Russell Stewart, John Stewart, John Ogden, Richard Bassingthwaite, Danny Wright (Lions), Kim Wishart, Alan Reis (Brisbane City), Jim Hermiston (North Star), Glen Archer (Grange Thistle), Michael Cernaka

(Olympic Utd), Ron Millman (Ipswich Utd), David Wheeler (Coalstars).

Stowell was forced to look to players outside of the NSL because of the unimpressive and inconsistent form so far this season from the two Queensland NSL sides.

Queensland is hoping to avenge a 2-0 loss to NSW last year.

"I feel I've got three players who will do a better job than the ones selected last year. I have been looking at players since the start of the season and the selection of Premier League players was not a one-off situation," he said.

The appointment of Hermiston as Brisbane City NSL coach last week provided a twist to his selection in the state squad, as it now appears his playing career with North Star is over.

But Stowell said Hermiston would stay in his Queensland squad, "unless there is any reason he can't remain there."



GRAHAM ARNOLD

CANBERRA STARS IN DOUBT

CANBERRA CITY OLYMPIANS could be facing the visiting St George next Sunday at Bruce Stadium without two of their star players.

Left midfielder Steve Bryant and striker Tommy English are both doubtful starters for this match.

"Steve Bryant has been hampered by an injury to his left knee lately, restricting his performance. He goes in for an exploratory operation tomorrow," Canberra's coach Roy Thomson said last night.

"Tommy English is still having problems with a groin injury and I have to have a good look at him in training this week."

Canberra, together with Marconi, remain unbeaten after five rounds of the League, and have seven League points from two wins and three draws, scoring nine goals and conceding five.

Should English or Bryant miss this match, Issac Farrell or Terry Byrne will slot into midfield and Hilton Phillips could retain his spot up front where he played on Saturday against Newcastle.

Thomson said: "I'm not complaining be-

cause I seem to have back-up players for positions vacated."

St George, smarting from their 3-1 loss against Sydney Croatia yesterday when they were completely outclassed in midfield, will be flat out to make amends.

Saints failed to grab control of the midfield and Canberra likewise will not be philanthropic in this department, where Tommy Sermani, Johnny Mihailidis, Bryant or Byrne are tough, mobile customers.

To maintain their unbeaten run, Canberra will have to pay particular attention to St George's form players, flank striker Robbie Slater and midfield distributor Peter Stone.

Highlight of the match — and possibly the result may hinge on this — will be the battle of Australia's two very best goalkeepers Anthony Franken for the home side and Terry Greedy for the Saints. Both had marvellous matches last weekend.

— JOHN ECONOMOS



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AT BRUCE STADIUM

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT LACK OF PROMOTION

ONE of the most common complaints levelled at Australian soccer concerns the level of promotion of the code.

Obviously the first step to getting people to games is to let them know kick-off times and venues.

It seems the National Soccer League clubs have decided they don't need to inform ASW readers when and where the following weekend's matches will be played.

We've been told that the club administrators do not see the point in advertising in ASW as it is "preaching to the converted."

It's a typical response from people who treat their few supporters like dirt.

We believe many people look forward to seeing the weekend fixtures advertised in ASW — in fact the complaints we received last week when the fixtures were not included vindicate that.

We are sure our readers are amongst the most loyal supporters the National League clubs have, and that by advertising their games through ASW they provide a service for you.

Yet the price you must now pay for being a "converted" soccer supporter is that you expected to know the details of future games.

That would be well and good if clubs were not continually changing venues and kick-off times to suit themselves.

The alternative is to wait for Friday and Saturday's daily newspapers to find out when and where the games will be played.

It seems the NSL club administrators do not realise that people like to plan ahead, and that ASW, by coming out on a Monday, gives people plenty of time to plan for the coming weekend.

If you would like to see the fixtures restored to the pages of ASW, then cut out this coupon and send it to the NSL office.

The General Manager,
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I would like to see NSL fixtures advertised in ASW each week as a service to soccer supporters.

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CHIT CHAT

FRANK AROK is not unduly worried about St George's poor start to the NSL season.

"There will be a lot of strange results this year because there is so little to choose between the top teams and the strugglers," said Arok.

"In the 1985 NSL, any team can beat any other team."



SYDNEY OLYMPIC's only new signing for this season was **STUART JOHNSTON** from relegated Parramatta Melita Eagles.

Johnston, a 25-year-old Scot who came to Australia in 1981, was used as a striker in his spells with Marconi, Blacktown City and Melita.

He was switched to right-back by Olympic coach **MANFRED SCHAEFER**.



THE knee injury suffered by Blacktown City full-back **TONY RASMUSSEN** against Sydney Olympic is not as bad as at first thought.

"Ras" tore the cartilage in his knee but there was no damage to the ligaments, which means he should be back in training in a few weeks. He had an operation last week.

PLEASANT surprise for **EDDIE THOMSON** when the Sydney City coach checked up on penalty points against his players.

All were given a clean sheet to play for Slickers against Inter Monaro, despite picking up yellow cards recently.

Thomson was concerned about the disciplinary points against **STEVE O'CONNOR** and **JOHN KOSMINA** in particular.



IT'll be tough going in the NSW TNT Skypak League this year.

There are at least five clubs fancying their chances for promotion to the National League.

EMMANUEL SAID, president of Parramatta Melita, said: "We'll be playing a grand final every Sunday."



PEOPLE who complain that there are too many third-class referees around this season were given a quick answer by FIFA referee **PETER RAMPLEY**.

Said Rampley: "The players are third-class and it's difficult for first-class referees to handle their games."



ROY THOMSON: likeable Canberra coach.

ALTHOUGH Adelaide City's **SERGIO MELTA** is back on the training track after injuring knee ligaments and a muscle in the SA Ampol Cup final against West Adelaide, he is far from fit.

Doctors say it will be another two weeks before he can get down to serious training as far as working with the ball is concerned.

The ASPA Player of the Year for 1984 has been missed by the SA club, which is struggling to climb the ladder.

ROY THOMSON, Canberra City Olympians coach, is not so well-known outside the ACT.

However, in his many years as a player and coach with West Woden Juventus and a coach with the former NSW State League Club JM United, the likeable Scot has earned plenty of respect.

SYDNEY CITY coach **EDDIE THOMSON** classes newcomer **ANDREW HARPER**, 17, as having a tonne of potential.

Harper was recommended on to the Slickers after showing out with NSW State League club Ku-ring-gai.

The northside club came to a very fair arrangement in that Harper will have a year being assessed by the NSL outfit before any transfer fee is struck.



MANLY WARRINGAH president **GEORGE DICK** reckons his club made a super deal when they signed goalkeeper **IAN BARKER** from Polonia.

"At 24, Barker is a great prospect and I already rate him the best goalkeeper in the NSW State League," said Dick.



"I'M not missing soccer at all," said deposed Canberra City coach **DOUG COLLINS** when we asked about his future in the game.

Collins has a job installing ceilings and says he's enjoying the new line of business.

"There are no pressures in this game either," said the likeable Doug.



NO names, but it's true.

After a recent game a player shook the referee's hand and said: "Thank you very much."

"What for?," asked the whistler.

"That's the first game I've gone through this year without being booked," replied the player.



IF jobs were not so hard to get, West Adelaide coach **NEIL MCGACHEY** would tell winger **ALAN SCOTT** to quit his.

A close-season buy from State League club Azzurri, Scott is proving a star performer — but there is one larger problem.

He has a recurring back injury brought on by the fact that as an electrician he has had to dig ditches for underground cables.

The recent pattern has been one game then out, or having to leave the field as his back "folds up".

RIVALRY between Blacktown City and Penrith City has been heightened following **WILLIE WALLACE's** comments after the recent match between the two teams.

"I'm glad I haven't spent the sort of money they've spent for the side they've got," Wallace said after Blacktown's 1-0 win over Penrith.

Blacktown coach **CASEY DE BRUIN** responded after the Demon's 1-0 win over Sydney Olympic: "That's why we bought players — to get results and entertain the fans."

Wallace also said: "Where they finish in the League, we'll be beside them."

To which a Blacktown player quipped: "Penrith must be going to finish third this year."



THE large crowd at the Sydney Croatia v Sydney City game last week compares favourably to English crowds on the corresponding weekend.

The 8,702 figure exceeded all Third and Fourth Division and all but two Second Division matches.

It even outnumbered the First Division match between Stoke and Arsenal, which only attracted 7,800 spectators.



ASW's **DAVID JACK** had two interesting characters at his table for the Sydney Sheraton dinner for Joao Havelange.

They were the big men from rugby league, **TOM BELLEW** and **JOHN QUAYLE**.

The atmosphere was most friendly, emphasising that people from different footballing codes can work in harmony.

And Bellew and Quayle were very interested in the way international soccer is governed, taking mental notes during all the speeches.



THE big blow-up at Inter Monaro, which saw **JOSEF PROCOP** replaced as coach by **FRANK MACCARONE** and **BAZ GIAMPAOLO**, **WALTER VALERI** and **TONY BRENNAN** all missing from training and matches, could have been avoided.

"These hassles were unnecessary because such problems could have been sorted out before the start of the season," said long-serving president **LAURIE PASTRELLO**.



TONY RASMUSSEN (right) contests the ball with Penrith City's Peter Brogan.

MANY FIRSTS IN SPURS HISTORY

THE visit here of English superstar team Tottenham Hotspur in May/June to participate in the big international series against the might of Brazil's Vasco da Gama, Italy's Udinese and our own Socceroos is one that will gladden the heart of every sports fan in Australia.

BY TOM ANDERSON

For the Spurs are something special and a real soccer aristocrat in any company — anywhere in the world.

Their motto is "Audere est Facere" which means "To dare is to do."

That aptly sums up the way of thinking at the White Hart Lane club.

In over 100 years of footballing history, the Spurs have been synonymous with a great number of "firsts" in the game.

DOUBLE

One of Spurs' earliest claims to a place in the history book happened in 1901 when they won the FA Cup while still in the Southern League!

They also became the first team to win the coveted "double" in 1961 when they won the championship and the FA Cup.

Another first for Tottenham happened in 1972 when they won the first all-British European final when they downed Wolves in the final of the UEFA Cup.

They became the trailblazers in British football when they signed South Americans Ossie Ardiles and Ricky Villa after Argentina had won the 1978 World Cup Final.

Spurs records over the years hit a peak in 1920 when they created history by collecting 70 points from 42 games to win the Second Division. In those days there were only two points for a win instead of the present three.

In 1960-61, the Spurs recorded the most wins in a single season when they won 31 of their 42 First Division games.

In that season they finished eight points ahead of nearest rival Sheffield Wednesday and in doing so scored an incredible 115 goals.

PROPOSAL

The club displayed their leadership qualities in 1933 when they proposed that players should be numbered in League matches.

This proposal was thrown out, although it was adopted for the FA Cup Final the same year!

In the 100th FA Cup Final in 1981 — when Tottenham met Manchester City at Wembley — the game was unique for many reasons.

Spurs striker Garth Crooks became the first black player to score a goal in the Final and it was the first time a replay had been held at Wembley.

In this Final, Spurs also maintained their record in finals — six wins out of six — and they made it seven the next year!

Over the years, two former Spurs men appeared in and later managed FA Cup — winning teams.

They were Peter McWilliam, who played for Newcastle United in the 1910 Final and later managed Spurs' Cup-winning side of 1921, and Jimmy Seed, who played for Tottenham in 1921 victory over Wolves and managed Charlton to their 1947 Cup win.

IDENTITIES

Spurs featured in the first \$500,000 transfer in Britain, when they bought Martin Peters from West Ham in 1970.

Peters played in four cup-winning teams at Wembley — West Ham's European Cup Winners Cup victory over Munich in 1965, England's World Cup Final win over West Germany in 1966 and Spurs' League Cup Final wins over Aston Villa in 1971 and Norwich in 1973.

In the international arena, three great Spurs identities, Pat Jennings, Danny Blanchflower and Terry Neil — have made the highest number of international appearances for Northern Ireland.

Jennings of course has made the highest number of international appearances of any British player — 109.



RAY CLEMENCE



KERRY CABAN (front) is challenged by Canberra City's Roy Jones.

APIA LEICHHARDT's **KERRY CABAN** looks lethargic and gives the impression of being overweight and sluggish.

"Don't you believe it," warns Apia general manager **ARCHIE BLUE**. "Caban is one of the fastest centre-forwards in the NSL over the first vital 10 metres."

"He could be in for a great season — I don't know how he didn't get a hat-trick against Penrith."

"Caban also knows how to keep his temper — he takes tonnes of stick every match and never complains," added Blue.



THERE's not much marketing going on at Australian Soccer Federation Marketing these days.

A visitor from overseas wanted to buy an Australian team jersey and possibly badges and pennants.

He was advised to phone **RAY RICHARDS** at his Fairfield sports shop.



KEN KAISER, who had a successful run as coach of Newcastle United in the NSL and West Wallsend in the Northern NSW First Division, has taken up an appointment as Northern NSW director of coaching on a part-time basis.

He is also interested in the development of a new indoor soccer centre.

BRISBANE LIONS coach **GORDON ARROWSMITH** is looking forward to strengthening his NSL squad with the return of strikers **DANNY WRIGHT** and **CALVIN DAUNT** from injury.

Wright is playing in Lions' reserve team to attain match fitness after a 10 month lay-off.

"We have had more than 50 percent of the play in recent games, but we just cannot finish," Arrowsmith said.

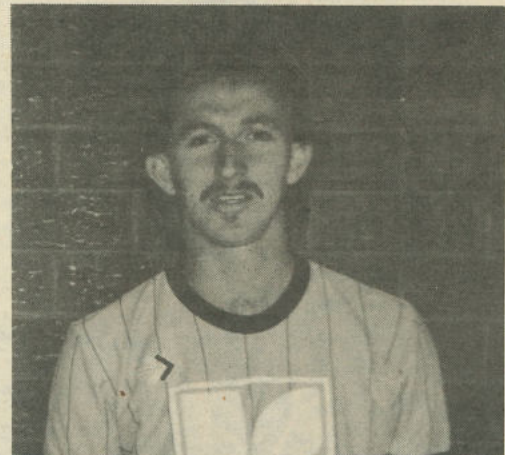


REFEREES don't have to be constantly flashing red cards to keep control of matches.

Proof of this comes from Sydney's **TIM DAVIES**, who is perhaps the best ref in Australia.

Since the National League started eight years ago, Davies has sent off only four players.

Other referees seem keen to send off four, or more, EVERY year.



PHIL KERR: getting married.

GREEN GULLY coach **BOBBY McLACHLAN** lived up to his reputation as a comedian during his recent visit to Adelaide.

After walking up and down the Hindmarsh Stadium pitch in 35 degree heat, looking up at the sky and prodding the turf, he announced: "If we win the toss, we'll bat first!"



"THE Wolves will thrive in '85" is the message that is being continually repeated around Wollongong and the NSW South Coast.

The club is certainly on the upsurge and gets top marks for the way in which it is searching out and developing its own junior talent.

Recruits for the Youth squad have been obtained from as far north as Cole-dale, down to Kiama in the south.

Certainly some fresh talent may be needed as both **PHIL MATIAS** and **PHIL KERR** are planning their marriages DURING the season.



GARTH CROOKS: the first black player to score in an FA Cup Final.

Present Spurs goalkeeper Ray Clemence is also a record-breaker — especially during his term at Liverpool.

Clemence conceded only 16 goals for Liverpool in 42 Division One games in season 1978-79.

During that season Clemence let in three goals in only one game, against Aston Villa.

Apart from this game he did not concede more than one goal per match that entire season and recorded a clean sheet on 28 occasions.

MILESTONE

Scottish international Steve Archibald set another Spurs milestone when he moved to London from Aberdeen in 1980.

The transfer fee of \$1.25 million was the most expensive transfer ever for a player from a Scottish club going over the border to England.

These are just some of the highlights of this magnificent club.

Throughout their history, Spurs have always played a brand of 'push and run' football that has thrilled soccer watchers throughout the world.

And, with their present lineup they certainly will not disappoint anyone here in Australia when they come here in May/June — of that you can be sure!

FOOTNOTE: Many people have asked me how the Hotspur part of Tottenham's name came about.

The answer to this question is that the founders of the club (a number of ex-grammar schoolboys in 1882) had in mind the exploits of Harry Hotspur, a younger son of the Duke of Northumberland in the 15th century.

The Northumberland family at one time owned considerable estates in Tottenham — so now you know!

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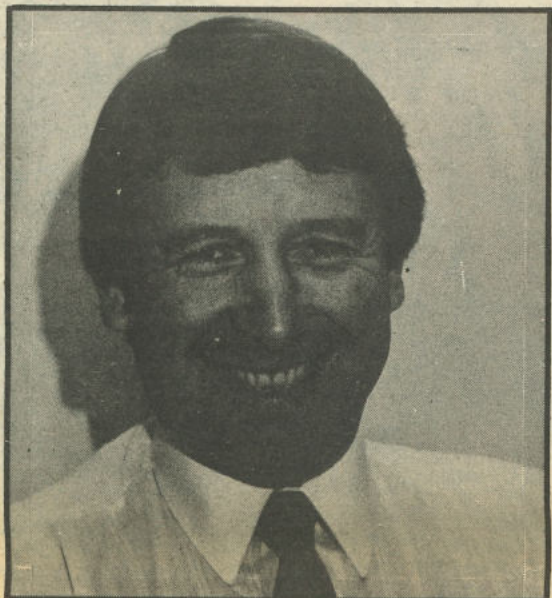
DOES AUSTRALIA NEED A FULL-TIME COACH?

A special
ASW survey

COMPILED BY
BRAD EARL



MANFRED SCHAEFER: yes.



WILLIE WALLACE: yes.



ADRIAN ALSTON: yes.



FIL BOTTALICO: yes.

A MAJORITY of National Soccer League coaches believe Australia needs a full-time national coach in the run-in to the crucial World Cup matches later this year.

Eight out of 13 NSL coaches surveyed by ASW feel the job of national coach is a full-time one.

Another two coaches believe a full-time coach is needed in the lead-up to the World Cup series, but not on a permanent basis.

National coach Frank Arok has stated that he can handle the national team duties in addition to his full-time position as manager-coach of Sydney NSL club St George.

Arok has the backing of the Australian Soccer Federation, who appointed him as national coach a year ago.

DIFFICULTY

"The Executive's view is that you don't need a full-time coach if you don't have full-time players," ASF general manager Brian Emery explained.

He said players often have too much difficulty getting time off work or getting a release from regular club training to attend national squad sessions, which restricts the national coach's work.

That view is sup-

ported by **BOBBY McLACHLAN** (Green Gully), who asks whether there is real value in having a full-time national coach.

"The circumstances in Australia prevent a full-time coach from spending time with the players during the day," McLachlan said.

"It is obvious that no players will be available for day sessions with the national coach, and that is why I tend to question the validity of the argument that our national coach should be fully occupied with national team duties."

However, three NSL coaches who had much experience in international football as players believe Australia needs a full-time national coach.

They are ex-Australian internationals **MANFRED SCHAEFER** (Sydney Olympic) and **ADRIAN ALSTON** (Wollongong City) and ex-Scottish international **WILLIE WALLACE** (Penrith City).

'PRESSURES'

"Being involved as a former player, I know the pressures that are involved with the national team, and there is more pressure on Aus-

tralia now than ever before," Schaefer said.

He believes it is too difficult coaching a club team in addition to the national side, not just because of the workload involved but also the mental aspect.

"There is no way you can have your mind on one thing and then switch over to the other," Schaefer added.

Glasgow Celtic great Willie Wallace agrees.

"You can't do two jobs in soccer," Wallace said. "I think Arok should have been full-time from the very beginning."

Alston said Arok needs more time to get the players together, particularly as national squad members are spread between several clubs.

GORDON ARROWSMITH (Brisbane Lions) also believes Arok's workload is too great.

FUTURE

"Working through the day and coaching three nights a week is difficult for me, so I can imagine how much harder it is for Arok."

"In my opinion he should go full-time as national coach because there is so much at

stake, in particular the future of soccer," Arrowsmith said.

BRIAN GARVEY (Heidelberg United) believes the job of building a team for the World Cup should be a full-time one.

"The ASF must offer Arok some security for the future that will enable him to detach himself from the club he is currently committed to," Garvey said.

"His club involvement and his permanent placement in Sydney account for the fact that most of the players selected originate from Sydney."

"This is not a criticism of any kind. It is a mere statement of the fact that the national coach of Australia has not had the opportunity to travel nationwide and assess players from other states."

TRAVEL

FIL BOTTALICO (Apia Leichhardt) also believes the national coach should not have any club commitments to give him more time to travel around Australia to watch players in action.

That is a view supported by **VEDRAN ROZIC** (Sydney Croatia) and **CEDO CIRKOVIC** (Footscray).

"It happens in all parts of the world and I cannot see why we can-

not implement the same policy if we aim at achieving success at international level," Cirkovic said.

CASEY DE BRUIN (Blacktown City) and **EDMUND KREFT** (Adelaide City) believe Arok should go full-time — but only prior to the World Cup qualifying series.

"When the World Cup matches get close it probably would be an asset to have a full-time coach," de Bruin said.

However, he says that at present there is little that can be done apart from watching matches, and that Arok has assistant coaches whose job is to report to him on the form of players.

JOHN MARGARITIS (Brunswick Juventus), who is Arok's Melbourne assistant, believes the national coach is already doing a full-time job for Australia.

'SUPPORT'

"Though Frank Arok is not employed full-time by the ASF, the amount of time and effort he devotes to the national team far exceeds the time required from a fully employed coach," Margaritis said.

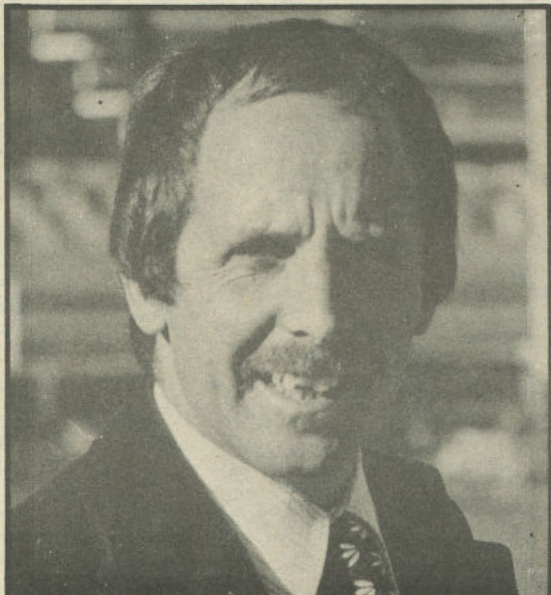
"I think that what he needs at this crucial stage of our preparation for the World Cup qualifying rounds is the absolute support and cooperation of club coaches and administrators and of the Australian public at large."

NEIL MCGACHEY (West Adelaide) says Arok knows best if he can handle the national position on top of his St George duties.

"The full-time job would take 30 to 40 hours a week — but not necessarily taking up five days a week," McGachey explained.

"Coaches spend a large slice of their time in administration. Actual coaching is the cream on the cake."

"It depends on the individual and how he handles the job. Some could handle a club side and the national job, others, couldn't."



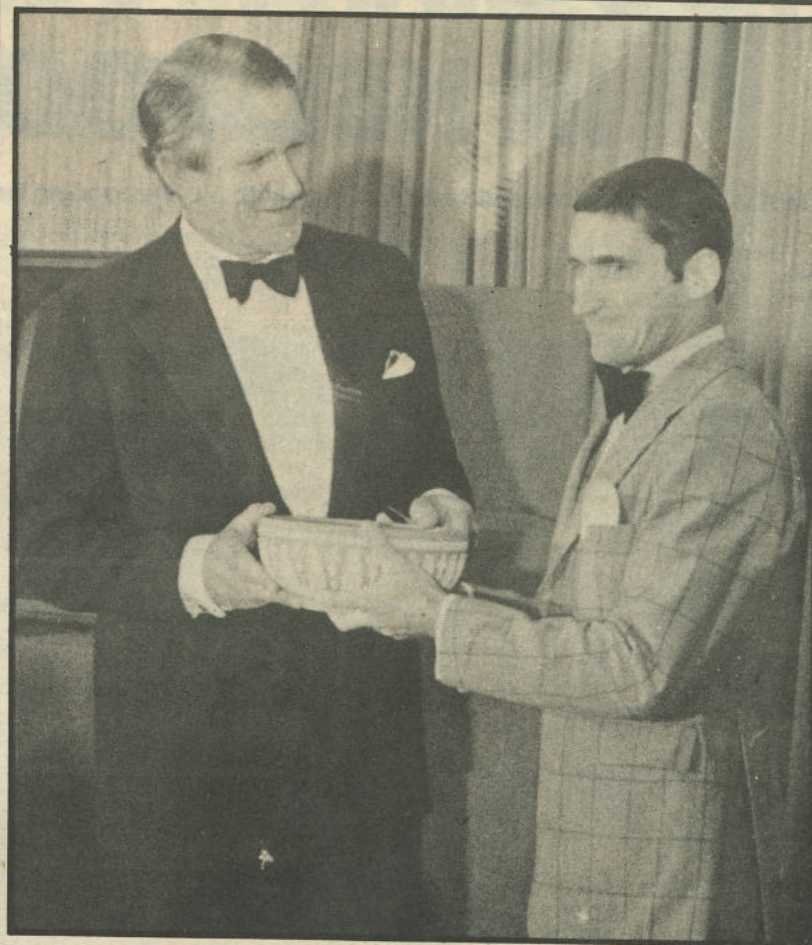
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JOHN MARGARITIS: no.

NSL return caps a big week for Hermiston

'I WANT TO MAKE CITY STRONG AGAIN'



ABOVE: FLASHBACK to 1980 when Jim Hermiston was named NSL player of the Year. He is presented with the Wedgwood Bowl by then Prime Minister, Malcolm Fraser.



JIM HERMISTON intends to make the most of the fortunate turn of events of last week.

As far as the state team is concerned, he has said the interstate match — if he is selected in Bruce Stowell's final team — could be his playing finale.

Although Hermiston is playing with all the poise and brilliance which won him acclaim around the country a few years ago, he realises nothing can go on forever.

He was in a class of his own when he captained Brisbane to its win over Ipswich in the inter-city challenge, which was an official trial for the Queensland squad.

Hermiston, who had been denied a goal by a brilliant save from young Ipswich goalkeeper Paul McClure, eventually scored the winner when he converted his penalty to give Brisbane a 4-2 shootout win after the scores were locked at 0-0 for 120 minutes.

FINALE

But he says he is not really interested in playing NSL football again.

"Coaching is my job now. But it would be tremendous if Bruce Stowell thought I was still capable of playing for Queensland on Anzac Day. That would probably be my finale," Hermiston said.

To play again could cause some problems as Hermiston's Premier League club North Star still holds his playing contract. And some officials at the club were none too happy with the sudden turn of events

which saw them lose their star player only days before the start of the Premier League competition.

This time the Scotsman is expecting an extended stay at Brisbane City.

"I don't really believe in contracts but I will be here for the rest of this season and then two more seasons after that," Hermiston said.

"There is no contract between the club and myself — I just shook hands."

Hermiston replaces Tony Lowndes, who was a surprise appointment earlier this year.

'LIFE'

In six official NSL and Cup matches, he had achieved a win and a draw — seemingly not enough for the fickle City supporters.

It is the second time around at Spencer Park for Hermiston. He was first appointed to the City position in 1983 after he retired from playing in the Lions and City NSL sides at different stages over a five-year period.

At the time of his appointment as City coach, City president Sam Pappalardo said Hermiston was at the club "for life". But a falling out at the end of the season saw the club refuse to renew Hermiston's contract and instead opt for Joe Gilroy, who resigned before seeing the season out.

"I made some mistakes then and I'm looking forward to making a success of it this time," Hermiston said.

Frank Pimblett and Bobby Hamilton — the players Hermiston discarded during his previous stint at City — are set to be the centre of his new-look NSL side this time.

Hermiston told Pimblett and Hamilton their NSL careers were finished when he tried to rebuild the City side in 1983.

But he now admits that was a mistake. He has talked to both players and asked them to forget the past.

COMPETITIVE

"I want them to work with me to make Brisbane City a strong National League side again," Hermiston said.

Hermiston said he planned to use the two experienced midfielders in the centre of the park and surround them with youngsters like Ray Junna and Luciano Fabrizio.

"Frank and Bob can make the play and the kids can do all the running. I think we can be very competitive that way," Hermiston said.

But Hermiston, a stern fitness disciplinarian, is not expecting overnight results, nor is the City board. The directors have given him the go-ahead to rebuild slowly.

"The Brisbane-Ipswich game last weekend showed there is talent in Brisbane and local Queensland players are capable of playing top-class football if given the opportunity," Hermiston said.

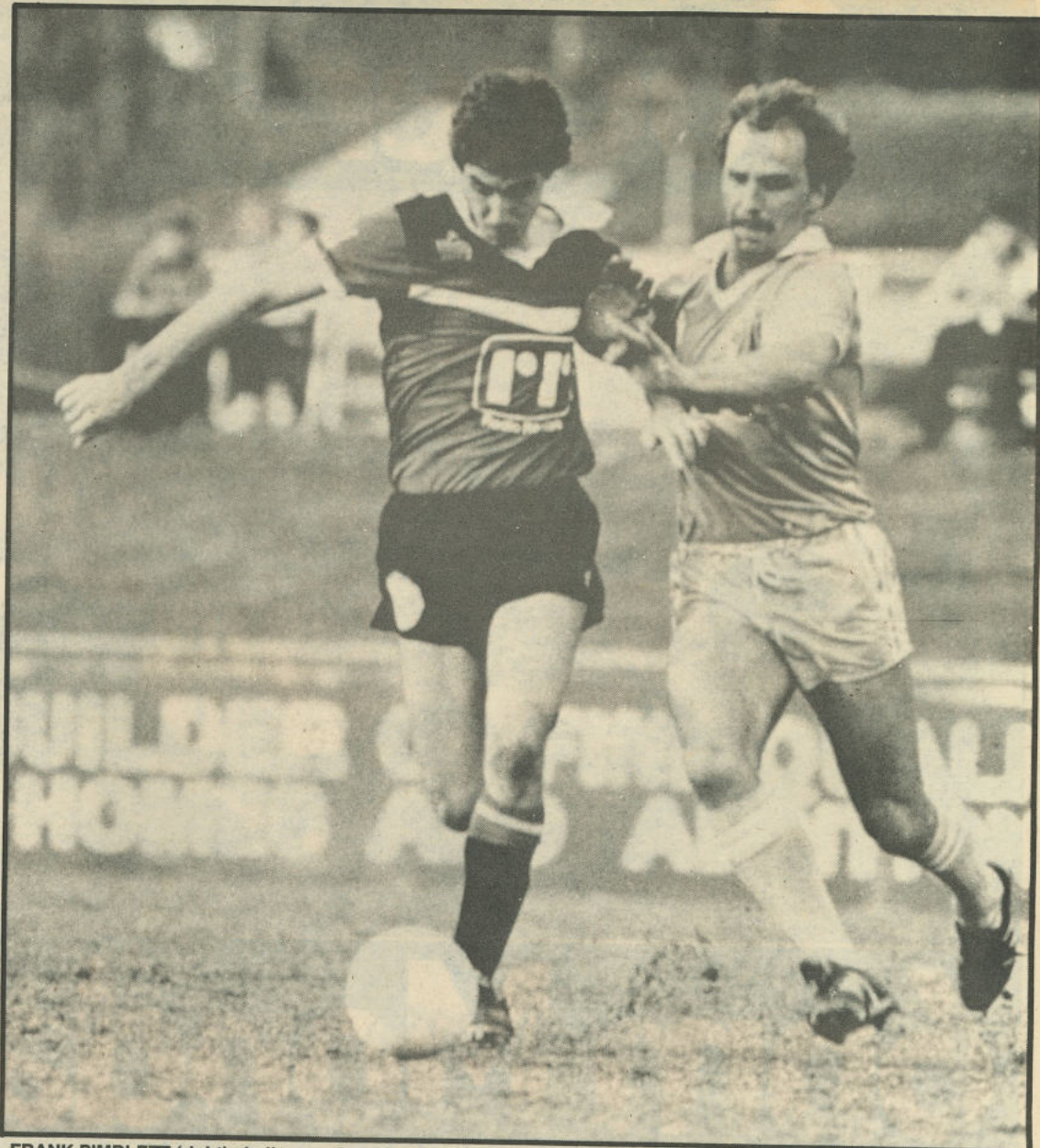
LAST week, Jim Hermiston, the former Aberdeen player and National League Player of the Year, could do no wrong.

The 37-year-old emerged from the wilderness of the Queensland Premier League to be the man of the match in the Brisbane versus Ipswich inter-city challenge.

Then the very next morning the likeable Scotsman was appointed coach of the Brisbane City National League team.

And if that was not enough, two days later Hermiston was, as expected, named in the Queensland squad to prepare for the match against New South Wales at Perry Park on April 25.

Suddenly, instead of being a star of the past, he's Queensland soccer's man of the moment. GREG RUSSELL reports.



FRANK PIMBLETT (right) challenges Gary Byrne of Blacktown City. Pimblett is a key member of Hermiston's squad at Spencer Park.

TOO MANY YOUNGSTERS IN NSL TOO EARLY

MUCH has been written and spoken about youth players over the last couple of years.

There is no doubt that we are producing young players as good as anywhere in the world at 16, 17 and 18.

One thing, though, that does seem to be happening is that too many young players are being thrust into National League teams too early, and expected to perform consistently for nine months of the year.

Certain young players are capable of doing this, but the majority need to serve their apprenticeship, as in other professions.

They should work with experienced players and coaches to ensure they are ready to play and maintain form at the top level.

EXPERIENCE

It is a misplaced view that playing young players in the first team of national league clubs automatically gets them experience.

This may be the case if

he's playing alongside players of experience who can help him, but it could also have the reverse effect and shatter confidence if he's playing with many other young, inexperienced players.

I believe a player is best equipped and playing his best soccer between 26 and 32.

Players at that age have experience, maturity and know what the game's about.

Looking throughout the world, one can see this with world-class players in most countries.

PLEASURE

It's no secret to see a side such as Sydney City consistently up there at the top with six or seven players in their late 20s or early 30s playing and coaxing their few fine young players who will obviously learn and mature amongst their more experienced colleagues.

Look at most top

teams around the world and this format is in evidence.

I watched St George and Marconi recently and Dez Marton, who is in his late 30s.

Sure he's lost a bit of speed, but his touch on the ball and positional play were a pleasure to see and I'm sure some of the younger players have much to learn from

him.

So let's bring our youth on, but let's also make sure they continue their learning amongst players of experience and maturity.



DEZ MARTON (right): can teach young players.

'Lesser lights'
shine in cup
football

FUNNY things happen in cup football, not only in Australia but throughout the world.

It's a well-known fact that underdogs and lesser lights are usually prominent in "the cup".

Just look at past winners in our own NSL Cup — Brisbane City twice, Adelaide City and Brisbane Lions have all won the Cup when the top sides like Sydney City and South Melbourne have been nowhere near.

In fact Sydney City, our most successful club, have never even figured in the semi-finals.

Looking at other cup competitions, with the FA Cup in England often unfashionable clubs get to Wembley.

Who can forget when Second Division Sunderland beat mighty Leeds United?

What about this year's Milk Cup with finalists Norwich and Sunderland?

And who can forget little Swedish club Malmö downing the greats to win the European Cup?

What is it that happens in cup football?

Well it's a one-off job, it's the chance the mighty efforts from the small clubs, who usually know that if they give everything in that one game more illustrious opponents might be a little below par.

So there's a definite chance of instant glory.

Top clubs are consistent over longer periods.

Just look at this year's last eight in the NSL Cup — Brisbane Lions, Canberra, Newcastle, Adelaide Croatia, Preston, Green Gully, Sunshine George Cross and Sydney Olympic.

Long live the Cup — it's great to see.

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International series row over venue

BY TOM MCKAIN

THERE is another row brewing between the South Australian Soccer Federation and promotions company West Nally over the venue for next month's soccer series.

The Federation's headquarters at Hindmarsh Stadium had been pencilled in for the Tottenham-Udinese match, but with a double-header also involving the Socceroos and Udinese, West Nally want to use Football Park, the Australian Rules HQ.

Peter Sheean, Nally's Australian representative won "the war" last year when he played the World Series match between the Socceroos and Juventus at the Park.

And he is likely to win this latest tussle. Hindmarsh holds 20,000 spectators and while Federation secretary, Peter Nikolich says that will be enough for the double-header, he may under-estimating interest.

The English fans who stayed away from the Socceroos-Juventus clash are certain to flock to see Tottenham.

Juventus drew 20,000 fans last year, mainly Italians, and they are certain to turn up again.

Add the English support and Hindmarsh could be bursting at the seams.

And there are certain to be thousands of neutrals who have seen Tottenham on TV, particularly Australian rules fans who do follow soccer but only through television.

But it is not only the size of Football Park that attracts Sheean.

He has to think of covering and comfort for the fans.

Hindmarsh has only the one stand which holds only 2,000 people.

At Football Park, 48,000 can be seated and at least half are under cover.

Mr Nikolich has said he will push for the games to be played at Hindmarsh.

However, the SA National Football League general manager, Mr Leigh Whicker, said he had received a verbal booking for Football Park.

"We have been asked if the ground is available for May 29, and at this stage it is," he said.

STAR SOCCER CAMPS GET SET FOR MAY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

STAR SOCCER CAMPS will again be conducting a series of coaching camps for boys and girls during the forthcoming May school vacation.

These camps, which have been operating for the past six years, will be held at the Sydney Sports Ground (day camp) May 6-10, and at the University of NSW (live-in only) May 12-17.

Leading coaches and players will instruct at the camps, including coaching director John Doyle, former Australian international and seen on the Channel 9/28 "Captain Socceroo" programme.

Doyle has been with the camps since their inception and is responsible for all curricula activities.

Leading Sydney City and assistant national coach Eddie Thomson will make guest appearances throughout the two weeks.

Thomson, the 1984 Coach of the Year, will obviously be on the lookout for talented youngsters.

Other coaches include Peter Stone (St George captain), Ken Wilson (Melita Eagles), Kaz Kulak (Sydney City U16 Youth League coach) and Frank Farina (Sydney City Socceroo).

Boys on the live-in camp will be competing for an all-expenses paid trip to Los Angeles in November this year.

Star Soccer Camps has entered teams to participate in the Santa Monica tournament to be held later this year. The teams will be made up from boys who have attended the Star Soccer Camps.

The tour party will be led by Paul Bayutti and John Doyle and will provide talented youngsters the opportunity of an overseas soccer and educational experience.

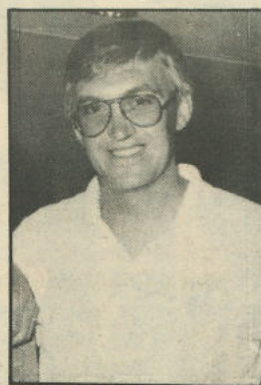
The tour has been co-ordinated by Gullivers Sport Travel.

Dunlop has been included with Star Soccer Camps for four years now.

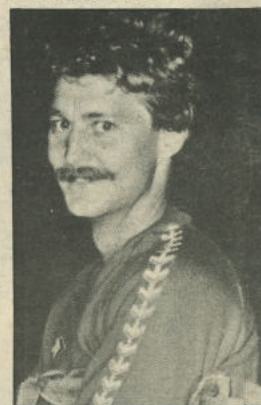
Paul Bayutti, director of the Camps, says: "The Star Soccer Camps concept is blossoming into a

series of opportunities for youngsters to further their soccer careers.

"Boys who have attended the camps in the past include Robbie Slater, Alex Bundalo and Fabian Saciloto. They have all progressed leaps and bounds in professional football."



EDDIE THOMSON



PETER STONE



FRANK FARINA



KENNY WILSON (right)

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CHARLIE IS DEADLIER THAN EVER

SOUTH MELBOURNE striker Charlie Egan must hate the club's ground announcer.

Not through any personal differences but because he must be starting to get sick of hearing his name blaring through the loud-speakers, during every game!

The nippy and deadly forward has been in dazzling early season form, netting eight goals from the first four games.

Egan, a frontline contender for a place in the

Australian team for this year's World Cup qualifying matches, says he owes a lot of his success to team-mate Doug Brown and coach Len McKendry.

"Last year I was laying off a lot of balls to Dougie and he did most of the scoring, but now it's different.

"Len has instructed me to get into the penalty area and have a go.

"I suppose the world tour also helped me realise that you must get into the box to score goals.

"It's okay running off the ball and helping your team-mates but you've got to be right up-front to score," Egan said.

EXPERIENCE

Although Egan was sparingly used during the Socceroos' world tour, he did top the goalscoring list.

Two full games in China netted him two goals.

During the European section of the tour Egan was mainly used as a sub but added two more to his tally.

"I suppose I was a little disappointed at not

Profile

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

getting more of a run in England but it was great experience being on tour," Egan said.

The make-up of the forward-line in the national team could be drastically altered this year.

Former Socceroo Eddie Krncevic, currently playing in the Belgium first division, is trying to get a clearance to join Sydney Croatia.

Dave Mitchell, the former Sydney City striker, has transferred to Hong Kong club Seiko from Scottish Premier League club, Glasgow Rangers.

Mitchell says one of the main reasons he wanted to move closer to home instead of joining another British club is to regain his place in the Socceroo line-up.

Frank Farina joined Sydney City in the off-season from Canberra City mainly to remain in the spotlight and further develop his combination with Socceroo captain John Kosmina.

LIST

Phil O'Connor says he has recovered from a serious knee injury and is ready to reclaim a spot in the Australian front-line.

Sydney Olympic's dazzling striker Marshall Soper has laid claim to one of the forward spots, while team-mate Chris Kalantzis is emerging as one of the brightest players in the country.

The list goes on ... Rod Brown, David Lowe (Marconi), Graham Arnold (Sydney Croatia), Robbie Slater (St George).

Egan realises he has a difficult job securing one of the striking roles.

"I must admit it's a pretty daunting task but everyone has a chance.

"I've just got to keep on scoring goals," he said.

And goals are one of the important aspects missing from Australian soccer in recent years.

It didn't take Egan long to net his first on Australian soil.

"I arrived in 1981 and

played for Frankston City in the Victorian State League.

"I arrived in the morning, had lunch, a quick shower then played for City against George Cross.

"We won 1-0 and I scored the winner," Egan proudly recalled.

SCORED

In his first season, Egan netted 22 goals and was quickly signed up by South Melbourne.

In three seasons at the club, Egan has enjoyed numerous championship victories as well as selection in the Victorian state side and the National team.

"I've had a great run with the blue and whites. They deserve everything that comes their way. Our supporters love their soccer and it's a great feeling playing in front of them.

"They make you feel wanted. It's great when teams like Hellas and Sydney Olympic can draw big crowds week in week out.

"It can only benefit Australian soccer in the long run."

Charlie Egan will continue to delight Melbourne crowds the only way he knows how — by scoring goals.

He has two ambitions he wishes to fulfil this year ...

"I'd love to hold a place in the national team and hopefully have my new house finished by the end of the year."



PHIL O'CONNOR, a candidate for the Socceroo forward-line this year.

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DOUG BROWN (front row, first from right), Egan's striking partner at South Melbourne, celebrates the club's NSL national play-off win over Sydney Olympic with team-mates and fans.



MIHAILIDIS MAKES HIS Profile MOVE BY JOHN ECONOMOS

SOCCEROO SHIRT IS TARGET

JOHN MIHAILIDIS — one of the reasons for Canberra City Olympians' high position on the NSL Northern Division ladder — feels that the time has come for him to make his move and shoot for the gold shirt of Australia.

John has had a burning desire to play for the Socceroos since he was a young boy growing up in Melbourne.

Born on October 9, 1964, John attended the Thomastown High School and started playing soccer with Heidelberg juniors.

INFLUENCE

When Socceroo World Cup midfielder Jimmy Rooney played for Heidelberg, he spent a lot of time helping up-and-coming players in the reserve team.

Rooney took a strong interest in John. Later as coach of Heidelberg, he gave him his first NSL team shirt.

John readily admits that his father and

Rooney were most influential in moulding his soccer career.

In 1982, John won a scholarship to the Institute of Sport where he spent two years under the watchful eye of Jimmy Shoulder.

Last year he graduated to Canberra's NSL team under coach Doug Collins.

Collins says: "John will play for Australia one day, make no mistake about that."

"He is a beauty. He has everything... pace, strength, skills and courage. His tackling is first-class."

John recalls that his most memorable match to date was against Sydney Olympic last year when Canberra knocked them out of the NSL Cup.

Mihailidis is not only a good midfielder, but he's an excellent defender, equally comfortable at right-back as he is at left-back.

SECURE

John, 20, realises that soccer will not always support him, so to his credit he took up accountancy studies, and hopefully will qualify next year.

Now he feels his future will be more secure.

To support himself through his course, John is employed at the Downer Olympic Soccer Club, in the Canberra suburb of Dickson, as a club steward.

I asked John why he thought Canberra has

done so well early in the current season.

"Last year we started off badly, but we achieved some good results towards the end of the season and just missed out on a place in the top five."

"This year we have started off very well. The main reason, I feel, is the return of experienced central defender Peter Burke. He has been a great asset, injecting solidarity to our back-line."

"Having Terry Byrne back as well has been a real bonus. Both are class players and the rest of us are settling down a bit and getting to know each other better."

"Added to this, striker Marko Perinovic has become more experienced and mature in

NSL football."

And of course Canberra have a big asset in goalkeeper Anthony Franken.

TECHNIQUE

"He is excellent, the best in Australia because he does all the simple things so very well. You just cannot fault his technique."

How do you see Australian soccer's progress over the last five years?

"At Youth level the development has been fantastic. Look at our sides of 1981, '83 and this year in the Oceania eliminations which we won."

But what about our senior scene?

"I believe that at Youth level there are lit-

tle differences. Once players come out of that age bracket there is not all that much ahead or as hard a challenge as say in overseas countries."

"In England, for example, where there are big divisions waiting for the young talent, there are many stages to climb and the competition is ever so competitive, which brings out the very best in players."

SHADOW

John is an intelligent player and recently he contributed largely to Canberra's victory over the star-studded Sydney Olympic in a League match. He was assigned by coach Roy

Thomson the job of shadowing Olympic's engineer Peter Raskopoulos.

Not only did John execute his duties so well, but he managed to push up into attack late in the second half and smash home Canberra's goal.

It is only a matter of time before two of Canberra's young stars, Mihailidis and Franken, force their way into the Australian senior team.

John has everything going for him.

He has good looks, a pleasant personality, is an efficient and reliable player, excellent character and is well educated.

He's part of the new and exciting breed in Australian football.



ABOVE: THE sign says "Go for it", and that's exactly what Anthony Franken (pictured) and John Mihailidis are doing in their quest for senior Socceroo honours.

RIGHT: JIMMY ROONEY, the former Australian World Cup midfielder who promoted Mihailidis into Heidelberg's NSL team. Rooney has had a big influence on the young Canberra star.





VENABLES AVOIDS THE STEREO TYPE APPROACH

THE success of Terry Venables as manager of Barcelona has surprised many people in Europe.

This is because the success rate of British coaches in Europe has not been good during recent years.

Malcolm Allison in Portugal and now Venables have been beacons in an otherwise gloomy picture for travelling British coaches.

The reasons for this is the tendency toward inflexibility among British coaches.

They are products of the stereotyped British style of playing. Indeed in many cases they have produced the stereotype, where work, aggression and highly organised team play are major requirements.

OPPOSITE

If we were to look for the opposite of the British style, it would be that of Brazil.

British coaches would say that it is impossible for English players, in particular, to play with the flair of Brazilian players.

To some extent this is so, but under the systemised method of play in England the English players have very little chance to produce, or



BY **MIKE JOHNSON**

develop, the flair that epitomises the Brazilian game.

Thus it is when British coaches are exposed to the varying styles of players that they encounter in Spanish or Italian teams; it is difficult for them to accommodate to these "foreign" styles.

England's gifted Glenn Hoddle has had to accommodate to the desires of the English game and his coaches at Tottenham and England, and he has become a worse player for it.

In another environment his outstanding gifts would have been exploited and developed.

I attended a coaching course in England along with Terry Venables and I also knew him from my playing days at Fulham when he

was with Chelsea, just down the road.

He is not your typical English coach.

CREATIVE

He is a highly creative man who has had success writing books and plays for television.

As a player he was skilful and particularly intelligent in his work as a midfielder player.

Yet I remember talking with Tommy Docherty, his then manager at Chelsea, whose main comment about Venables was that he was frightened of physical contact. Indeed he put it much blunter than that.

The ability to take and give out "stick" remains very important in the minds of many British coaches.

My experience following a period of coaching professional-

ly for 15 years, is that if you have the best players you will usually win the competition.

This being so, it seems imperative that you allow players to become the very best individual player they can become and then fit them into an overall loosely knit playing style which will allow them maximum scope for their individual talent.

In England all players are encouraged, even forced, to become first and foremost a top TEAM player, prepared to submerge his talent into the overall team pattern.

You see this type of thinking in the priorities given by Australian Youth coach, Jim Shoulder.

He prefers players whom he knows at the Australian Institute of



TOP: TERRY VENABLES climbs the stairs at Barcelona's home ground. Venables has succeeded where many British coaches have failed.



LEFT: GLENN HODDLE on the run for Spurs. Hoddle has had to accommodate to the desires of English coaches.

Sport and with whom he can blend into a solid team unit in preference to selecting others playing in teams throughout the country.

Shoulder is a highly intelligent and very likeable and talented man, yet I would like to see the very best youth players in this country playing in his Australian Youth team.

The big challenge in

the game today is somehow to let creative skill flower amid the high pressure defence that exists in modern soccer.

I have been pleased to see the type of game employed by Everton under manager Howard Kendall, which has many involved passing movements in it, rather than the strait up-and-down play

which is typical of so many British teams.

Skill, individual style and flair are what colour soccer.

Without them it can be very dull indeed.

Many spectators throughout the world have shown that bread and butter cannot replace the rich, creamy skills which have been lost to many countries.

NSW TNT SKYPAK LEAGUE

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

Polonia v Cant-M'ville	1-4	1-3	0-9
Fairy Meadow v Manly Warringah	1-0	1-4	2-1
Uruguayan Auburn v Ku-ring-gai	0-0	1-0	1-0
Avala v Rockdale Ilinden	0-0	2-0	4-1
Warringah N'been v Sutherland	0-2	1-1	1-0
Bankstown National v Parramatta Melita	Not played		

STATE LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION

Yugal v Gladesville Hornsby	1-2	1-0	2-3
Artarmon v Cant Dist	3-1	2-1	4-2
Queens Park ES v Campbelltown City	1-0	2-1	2-1
Blacktown Utd v Penrith Utd	1-0	5-2	2-4
Dee Why Swans v North Bankstown	2-1	0-1	2-3
Bathurst '75 v Wollongong Macedonia	1-1	1-2	3-0

STATE LEAGUE THIRD DIVISION

Uni of NSW v Granville Dist	4-3	2-4	1-3
Port Hacking v North Ryde RSL	0-3	0-0	4-1
King Tomislav v Rooty Hill	1-1	1-2	6-1
Campbelltown Gunners v Bondi Marine	3-3	0-1	0-2
Moorebank L'pool v Baulkham Hills	2-0	2-1	4-4
Mt Druitt Town v Kingsford	3-6	2-2	4-0

INTER URBAN FIRST DIVISION

Spanish Club v Sydney Uni	2-1	2-2	
Lane Cove v West St George	1-1	0-7	
Nineveh Eagles v CSI-Schofields	3-3	1-2	
Hurstville-Zagreb v Eastwood S/A	1-0	0-4	
Fairfield Kiev v Padstow Park	0-2	0-2	

INTER URBAN SECOND DIVISION

Green Valley v Hawkesbury Dist	0-3	1-1	
Concordia v Wentworth Waratahs	1-0	1-1	
Pagewood v Chelsea	4-1	2-0	
Chile Sports v Trasandinos Sports	1-1	2-3	
Liverpool City v Macquarie Uni	0-2	2-1	
Macarthur Utd v Maroubra Utd	0-0	2-1	

INTER URBAN THIRD DIVISION

Concord Juniors v Haberfield B/D's	3-1	2-1	
Blacktown Wands v Dulwich Hill	3-10	0-5	
Chullora v Rangers Hajduk	3-4	3-2	
Rosebery v Smithfield Hotspurs	6-1	6-1	
Sydney Maccabi v Welcome Sports	0-0	0-4	

INTER URBAN FOURTH DIVISION

Nepean Rovers v Macedonian Yagoona	1-3	2-6	
Murray Farm Rangs v Argentinian Lid/Utd	2-1	1-2	
Colo Colo v Petersham Lusitanos	3-3	2-0	
Lithgow Workmens v Castle Hill	4-0	1-0	
Greenisland v Blacktown Workers	6-0	7-0	
Lansvale v Jedinstvo	0-0	0-0	

INTER URBAN FIFTH DIVISION

Highlands v Luddenham Croatia	1-1	3-1	
Cyprus United v Santiago Wands	5-1	1-1	
Columbian v Crescent Star	To be played today		
Amal v Hellas Poseidon	1-0	4-1	

THE CLAYTON'S GAME!

BY FRANK COLETTA

WHEN is a game not a game?

It's when Melita Eagles are playing Bankstown National at Jensen Park.

Yesterday both Melita and Bankstown turned up at Jensen Park (Bankstown National's home ground) expecting their first match of the season.

On arrival they discovered there were no goalposts.

To add salt to the obvious wounds the ground was poorly marked also.

Bankstown claimed the council had not attended to the ground.

Melita secretary Sam Vella said: "We have sent a letter to the Federation claiming the points. A decision should be made around midweek."

Even more damning was the fact that the match was to highlight the debut of Melita's newly-acquired Welsh goalkeeper Richard Mullen, whom holds over 10 youth caps and has played for Crystal Palace, Wolves, Hereford United as well as spending some time in Germany.

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DEFENCES PROVED TOO TOUGH

BY FRANK COLETTA

AVALA and Rockdale Ilinden played out a hard-fought 0-0 draw at Knight Park yesterday and, whilst the match at times bordered on the laborious, both sides showed enough to confirm that they are potential premiership contenders.

Before the start of the match, Avala and their vast army of supporters were to receive a very pleasant surprise courtesy of the NSW Federation.

Represented by Fred Parker, the Federation displayed great character in presenting the formerly non-existent Federation Cup to Vic Dalglish and his side for their victory a fortnight ago in the pre-season series against Polonia.

After this it was down

to the "real McCoy" of the season as Avala began proceedings. It was an uncomprising start as both sides went at it full bore.

Both sides were very secure at the back, with Avala's back-four standing out, particularly Tony Jordan and captain John Lembryk.

No real clear-cut chances were seen in the first half, but Rockdale had the better of play.

They went close in the 22nd minute when a high punt swirled into the Avala area, keeper Thurlow badly misjudged the flight and the ball bounced over his head towards goal but the ever-reliable Lembryk was on hand to see the danger clear.

Come second half and again both sides

began determinedly, with the closest chance of a goal coming when Rockdale midfielder Ferguson blasted a free-kick just over the bar.

Ray Carney was an inspiration to the Avala side. With his never-say-die attitude and hustle-bustle style, he never failed to try something in an attempt to gain the two points for his side.

In the 68th minute, Ross Brown was fed a perfect cross by right winger Nicky Papas which he headed against the outside of the post.

Apart from two consecutive chances in the 74th minute, one from Atlagic and another

from Carney, Avala's forwards never really got a look-in.

With only four minutes remaining in the match, Rockdale nearly stole the two points, when a goalmouth melee saw the ball run out to Kenny Slaveski, who drove goalward from 12 metres only to see the best player on the park, Jordan, make the save of the match off his line and fittingly save the match for his side.

Man of the match: Avala's TONY JORDAN, fractionally ahead of team-mate John Lembryk. Jordan was rock solid in defence, never letting his winger out of sight and never letting him past; his front-running sorties were quite useful also.

AVALA: Thurlow, Jordan, Dobson, Lembryk, Dvornik, Brunetta (Lucchesi 66), Atlagic, Jeffrey, Tracey, Carney, Bratkovic (Andersen 58).

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Kotzahombos, Hinkelovski, Blackburn, D. Wilson, J. Wilson, Nasteovski, Papas, Ferguson, Slavevski, Brown, Trajanovski.

CROWD: 1,883.

EVEN allowing for the hindrance to Sutherland Shire in playing on a very small ground at Narrabeen, Warringah were unable to capitalise and were sunk by a 2-0 scoreline.

The pitch factor was not enough to perturb the Sutherland outfit, who went home two points richer thanks to a brace of goals by Brian Gray.

Sutherland continually pressurized Warringah in the first half, but the northsiders held out until half-time to go into the sheds level

0-0.

The game was won and lost three minutes after the interval when a cross from the right by Mark Harrington was misjudged by Ron Geekie and Gray was there to score the opening goal of the encounter.

Gray completed his double right on full-time when another cross from Nigel Groome found him on his own.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE: Dart, Nelson, Terry, Hesford, Dal Forno, Tasker (Beggs 80), Groome, Harrington, Rogers, Hall, Gray.

WARRINGAH NARRABEEN: P. Dean, Sarge, A. Dean, Jones, Geekie, Pasich, Akoutas (Lowe 82), Hanley, Hodgson (Friend 46), Van Heltem, Dale.

DESPITE producing some delightful football for the capacity crowd at Mona Park, neither Uruguay Auburn nor Ku-ring-gai could find the net, so producing another 0-0 draw.

Uruguayan responded very well to the predominant South American crowd. They showed some superb touches, especially through winger Barbelo and replacement Javier Fernandez.

BACKED by a very parochial Wollongong crowd, Fairy Meadow overwhelmed Manly Warringah by the lone goal, 1-0.

It was a totally disappointing Manly effort and coach Richard Alagich made no bones about his own disappointment: "It was certainly unfortunate that we had to meet them first time round in front of such a big one-sided crowd."

BIG MONEY PAYS FIRST DIVIDEND

BY BRAD EARL

A \$7,000 outlay for Nelio Borges and Paul Kirwan heralds Canterbury-Marrickville Olympic's bid for honours in the TNT Skypak League this year.

Borges, an attacking midfielder, and Kirwan, a left winger, were transferred from NSL club Sydney Croatia last week, and they played a big part in the Berries' 4-1 win over Polonia at Chopin Park on Saturday.

Canterbury have also signed former Croatia stiker Marcos Silva, but delays in receiving his clearance from Hong Kong prevented him from appearing against Polonia.

The skilful three-some should test State League defences this year, but it's not just this trio that opponents will have to worry about.

Central striker Louis Dounis and midfielder John Anagnostopoulos combined well with their new team-mates, and, as coach Raul Blanco pointed out the understanding between the players will get better in the next few weeks.

Anagnostopoulos scored two goals, with Dounis and centre-back John Karaspyros grabbing one apiece in Canterbury's impressive display.

Andrew Pop scored for Polonia just before half-time to make the score 2-1 to Canterbury at the break — although Polonia claimed one of the visitors' goals was offside.

Kirwan, Borges and Anagnostopoulos combined well in the 57th minute for the latter to score with a well-placed shot.

Canterbury's fourth goal came nine minutes later when Dounis pounced after the Polonia goalkeeper failed to make an easy catch under no pressure at all.

Henry Sobczyk was providing some opposition in the middle of the park but there were players who looked out of their depth in the Polonia line-up.

Eight minutes from the end, Sobczyk curled in a 25 metre free-kick over the Canterbury wall that called for an acrobatic save from keeper Chris Hummel.

Man of the match: while Canterbury scored four goals with ease, it was the excellent form of CHRIS

HUMMEL in goal that kept the deficit down to one. The former Australian Youth international dominated the penalty area and marshalled his defence very well.

POLONIA: Marcon; A. Colusso, Cieplik (Chau 57), Lasek, Falzon; D. Colusso, Sobczyk, Prodana; Mahamah, Pop, Janic.

CANTERBURY: Hummel; Antonopoulos, Hantzis, Pena, Karaspyros; Pettas, Ortega, Borges; Anagnostopoulos (Philippou 77), Dounis, Kirwan.

REFEREE: K. Small.

CROWD: 200.

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

SATURDAY APRIL 13:

MELITA EAGLES v WARRINGAH NARRABEEN MELITA STADIUM

SUNDAY APRIL 14:

KU-RING-GAI v FAIRY MEADOW PARKLANDS OVAL

MANLY WARRINGAH v BANKSTOWN NATIONAL CROMER PARK

ROCKDALE ILINDEN v URUGUAY AUBURN HURSTVILLE OVAL

AVALA v CANTERBURY M'VILLE OLYMPIC KNIGHT PARK

SUTHERLAND v POLONIA SEYMOUR SHAW PARK

SECOND DIVISION

SATURDAY APRIL 13:

North Bankstown v Artarmon

Potts Park

Penrith United v Yugal

Cook Park

SUNDAY APRIL 14:

Gladesville Hornsby v Queens Park

Pioneer Park

Campbelltown City v Bathurst '75

Lynwood Park

Canterbury & Dist v Blacktown United

Blick Oval

Wollongong Macedonia v Dee Why

Berkeley Sports Ground

THIRD DIVISION

SATURDAY APRIL 13:

Bondi Marine v King Tomislav

Waverley Oval

SUNDAY APRIL 14:

Rooty Hill v Port Hacking

Cawarra Park

M'bank-L'pool v C'belltown Gunners

Hammondville Park

Granville District v Baulkham Hills

Garside Park

Kingsford v Uni of NSW

Turruwul Park

North Ryde RSL v Mt Druitt Town

North Ryde Oval

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

SATURDAY APRIL 20:

MANLY WARRINGAH v KU-RING-GAI CROMER PARK

SUNDAY APRIL 21:

FAIRY MEADOW v ROCKDALE ILINDEN MEMORIAL PARK

URUGUAY AUBURN v CANTERBURY M'VILLE MONA PARK

AVALA v SUTHERLAND KNIGHT PARK

POLONIA v MELITA EAGLES CHOPIN PARK

BANKSTOWN NATIONAL v WARRINGAH N'BEEN JENSEN PARK

NSW STATE LEAGUE INTER URBAN DIV I

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JUNIOR SCENE



Compiled by
Keith Gilmour

ANOTHER WOODS TO THE FORE

ALAN WOODS, son of Australian Junior Soccer Council official Rod Woods, has hopped into the breach and is coaching the Ku-ring-gai Under 15 NSW Youth League team.

The squad with Adrian Solomon as manager, has been re-

CLUB LOGOS



BEROWRA Soccer Club is one of the best known clubs in the code just north of Hornsby. There are some 400 playing members through from the youngest ages to three all-age teams playing in Ku-ring-gai's Premier League third division. Berowra's colours are a neat maroon and white and they have been with Ku-ring-gai since 1960. This year's executive is president David Apps, treasurer Rod Edgerton and secretary Joan Kirkwood, with Harry Kirkwood as senior coach.

built following injuries and the departure of some Japanese players for their homeland.

Ian Hughes is the Under 16 manager and Malcolm Peacock the coach. Hughes' son Brett is an outstanding goalkeeper with hopes of selection in the NSW Under 18 squad.

Representative convenor Phil Rees is pleased that the squads

are again sponsored by furniture firm Ikea of Gordon and Blacktown.

Other team officials this year are: U14 coach Phil Rees, manager Wes Taylor; U13 coach Keith Rudd, manager Vic Durant.

Phil Rees sees Ku-ring-gai in a middle-of-the-range position akin to that held by neighbouring associa-

NSW Youth League round-up

tions Manly and Gladesville.

The Under 16 team he expects will be one of the strongest in Group B.

He added: "The 34-player Under 11 skills group which we have had for two years is bearing fruit.

"Players with extra skill are arriving in the Under 13 grade and the flow-on will continue.

DEMONS ON PENALTIES

BLACKTOWN CITY won the 1985 Mini Ampol Cup by three penalties to two after a mammoth 160 minutes of football.

Opponents Marconi, with the advantage of playing on Marconi Stadium, had enough first half opportunities to win.

Some great goalkeeping and an occasional lack of direction in the shooting kept the half scoreless.

Then the young Demons took over only to be thwarted by the Marconi keeper.

Marconi did put the ball into the net but for some inexplicable reason the referee brought the ball back and awarded them a free-kick.

The effort put in by both teams was a great credit to them, it was a pity that penalties had to be the decider in an exciting shootout.



TURNER CUP KICKS OFF

AN excellent array of non-departmental schools will take the field in the first round of the Bill Turner Cup in the Hunter area.

Included are St Mary's Gateshead, St Paul's Booragul, Newcastle Grammar, St Peter's Maitland and St Francis Xavier Hamilton.

All schools other than those listed receive a bye into round 2. The round 1 games have to be completed by the end of term one.

The draw is:

Mountview v St Mary's Gateshead, Belmont v Lambton, Broadmeadow v Irrawong, Waratah v Swansea, Singleton v Ruthersford, Cardiff v Nelson Bay, Morisset v St Pauls, Booragul, Glendale v Raymond Terrace, Gateshead v Newcastle, Maitland Boys v Newcastle Grammar, Scone v Muswellbrook, Jesmond v Francis Greenway, St Peters, Maitland v St Francis Xavier Hamilton.

YOUTH LEAGUE

ROUND 2 GROUP A

	U13	U14	U15	U16
APIA V ILLAWARRA.....	2-0	3-1	3-4	3-0
BLACKTOWN V ST GEORGE.....	3-0	1-4	1-0	1-0
GRANVILLE V CANT-M'VILLE.....	0-2	0-0	0-6	1-2
SUTHERLAND V SYDNEY OLYMPIC.....	1-2	0-1	3-2	1-3
MARCONI V NEPEAN.....	1-2	1-0	1-1	1-0

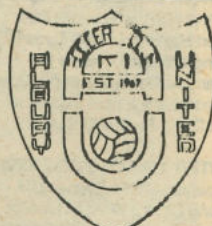
GROUP B

MANLY V CENTRAL COAST.....	0-3	1-8	3-1	2-0
KU-RING-GAI V CROATIA.....	2-1	3-0	1-2	1-0
MELITA V SOUTHERN DIST.....	1-0	6-0	2-0	2-0
AVALE V GLADESVILLE.....	1-0	4-1	1-6	1-0

GROUP C

CAMPBELLTOWN V ROCKDALE.....	2-1	1-2	5-1	1-1
YUGAL V MACARTHUR.....	0-1	5-1	3-1	5-2
SYDNEY CITY V CANTERBURY.....	5-0	2-2	2-0	2-1
BATHURST '75 V BANKSTOWN.....	0-3	0-1	0-6	1-0
BLACKTOWN ASSN BYE				

ALBURY UNITED started in burners in the Border district in 1967. Last season, finances were somewhat frail but president Tom Pfeffer is pleased that the newly-elected committee has raised \$3000 worth of sponsorships this year to set them back on the right track. Behind the club this year are Sunicrust Bread and B & M Graphic Printers of



Wodonga, Coronet Jewellers and Custom Club of Albury and Electronic Sales & Rentals and Vaughn Construction Co of Melbourne.

AVALA 16s FOR FIJI

THE success of the Avala U16 team last season on its Fiji trip has led the club to plan for a repeat in 1985.

The club's leading junior officials, Bob Burns and Ben Schmitz, are positive that a big season has commenced out at Knight Park.

Ben said: "It took four or five years to put the club together properly but we are now coming good."

The backing is coming directly from the senior State League club and coaches Vic Dagleish and John Haynes.

Under their policy 10 of last year's U16 lads have made it through to the senior club.

Dagleish says that he will again call through this year's crop for more Under 16s with potential to make the grade.

Secretary Bob Burns pointed out that the season in Group B has begun well after trails in which most grades were not disgraced against opposition of the calibre of Nepean and Sydney Olympic.

Ex-Marconi player Graham Vibert is coaching the U16 team.

Others involved are: U15 John Trgetaric; U14 Mick Flabic; U13 Mark Bowmaker.



CANBERRA CITY OLYMPIANS National Youth League team has distinguished itself already in one direction.

The sons of two former club coaches are in the squad under coach Mick Black.

They are Gardner Murray, son of George, and Victor Fernandez junior.

BACK ROW: Mick Black (coach), Gardner Murray, Tony Lemesina, Michael Mendez, David Borella, Nicholas Moulis, Colin Johnstone, Willie Sturton, Gabriel Exposito (physio).

FRONT ROW: Peter Mazis, Jonathon Nelson, Frank D'Adario, Gus Cerro, Anthony Giannasco, Sammy Caruso, Jorge Cerro, Victor Fernandez, James Baxter, Gary Applebee.

REFS AT HARDEN

NSW Affiliated referees president Brian Fowler and appointments officer Bill Lodge have conducted refereeing courses in the southern township of Harden.

Their sterling efforts were greatly appreciated.

One outcome is that an invitation will be extended to NSW Referees Federation secretary Doug Rennie to control the NSW-Victoria country games to be held in Albury in July.

Bill Lodge has brought out an invaluable general contact and brief rules handbook.

Referees involved in the various major junior competitions will find it an excellent reference.

Seminars have been held in the Manly, Blacktown and Granville districts and in one case former popular leading whistler Harold Parsons gave a hand.

Whilst Doug Rennie has retired as a senior referee, he is not letting the grass grow under his feet.

He is handling Under 14/15/16 Youth League games in the Nepean district.

On Fridays he gives theory instruction at Long Bay Jail. And that means a round trip of 137 kilometres to do the job!

AUSTRALIAN AFFILIATED



BRUSASCO

TIPPED

ASF senior vice-president Ian Brusasco has been tipped to lead the Australian party at the first FIFA Under 16 World Tournament in China.

The national federation, as tipped by ASW last year, moved to take control of arrangements for this very important event.

The competition will be very hot. Already qualified are the German Federal Republic, Hungary, Italy, China, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, USA, Bolivia as well as Australia.

AUSSIES TO FACE ENGLAND, WALES

FULL international matches against England and Wales have been included in the nine-match programme for the Australian Under 20 national schoolboys' proposed United Kingdom tour.

A provisional itinerary has been prepared following the visit to England by Queensland's Chapman Bonner, the Australian Schools Soccer Federation president, and tour co-ordinator Chris James.

Discussions took place with officials of the English and Welsh Schools Football Associations, and it seems certain that the tour will take place. The side is due to leave Australia on December 30 and return on January 23.

The squad will be chosen at the ASSF National Championship, which will be played in Canberra on September 2/6.

To win selection, all players must make their way through zone, regional and state trials.

Chris James said: "It is essential that we attract all top schoolboy players as the ASSF is embarking upon a three-year plan to establish regular internationals in Australia and overseas."

The tour has the support of such organisations as the Australian Soccer Federation, State Education Departments and the Australian Secondary Schools Sports Federation.

The only previous clash between Australian

and England at schoolboy level was the Under 15 tour in 1974.

England won 3-1 in an excellent match before an 11,000-plus Saturday crowd at the Sydney Sports Ground.

Australia were captained by midfielder Kevin Coleman and England, by Mark Higgins, who went on to play in central defence for Everton.

Years ago the intention was to widen the Australian Schools Soccer Federation by the inclusion of the non-governmental schools in the ranks.

Competitions such as the Turner Cup in NSW have demonstrated that many of the best players are outside the state schools.

This turnabout needs to be reflected in both the organisation and the selection processes.

It will not be accomplished in time for the UK tour, but sometime soon the ASSF will have to start biting the bullet and the entering into genuine discussion on the matter.

The broadening and improving of soccer in Australian schools is dependent upon a rethink of the current situation.



ADRIAN RIDDIFORD, chairman of the English Schools Football Association, and ASSF president Chapman Bonner indicate solidarity after their meeting in England.



AUSTRALIAN schools tour co-ordinator Chris James (left), Graham Morgan (England Schools U18 coach), Paul Blackwell (assistant coach) and Pat Smith (of England Schools) pictured at Lilleshall during an England training camp.



THE England Schools squad who will play an international against the Australian Schoolboys next January.

NEW ENGLAND TO DIVIDE & MULTIPLY

THE New England branch of the Northern NSW Amateur Soccer Federation is to divide into two separate branches on a 12-month trial basis.

New England, with more than 5,000 players, has a greater playing strength than both Newcastle and Macquarie Associations.

As it stood, New England branch extended its activities all the way from Murrumbidgee at the Hunter Valley end to the Queensland border.

Its area runs along the New England Highway and the Great Dividing Range to cover such centres as Tuirindi, Gunnedah, Tamworth, Armidale, Inverell and Tenterfield.

Northern NSW secretary John Jones reports that latest figures show 29,040 registered juniors in the branch.

This is an overall increase on the previous

best, although some areas have minor decreases due to the inroads of various sports, not the least of which is indoor soccer.

Included in the branch are Northern Rivers (Grafton), Richmond/Tweed (Lismore), Mid North Coast (Coffs Harbour), Lower North Coast (Foster/Tuncurry), New England (Tamworth/Armidale) as well as Central Coast (Gosford), Hunter (Cessnock), Newcastle and Lake Macquarie.

Newcastle this year has added a women's league to its range of competitions.

Six players from Northern NSW are in the running for inclusion in

Vic Dagleish's Australian Under 16 squad for the first World Under 16 Tournament to be played in China.

Mr Jones is convinced of the ability of each of them and believes that all have a strong chance of inclusion in the final selection.

This year's branch

championships, held as usual over the Queen's Birthday weekend, are spread from Gosford and the Brisbane Water to just short of the Queensland border.

The venues are: U13 Central Coast (Gosford); U14 Singleton; U15 Murwillumbah; U16 Taree.

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THE GINO PARIS CUP TRADITION

FROM humble beginnings back in 1953, the Gino Paris Cup Carnival has grown into one of the most important soccer activities for juniors in Queensland.

In that year a combined Brisbane and Ipswich Under 15 team went on tour and played games up in Mackay, Townsville, Ayr and Rockhampton.

Mackay and Cairns visited Brisbane and Ipswich in 1954 and the following year a Brisbane and Ipswich team travelled to Mackay and Rockhampton.

All this activity stirred the imagination of Ingham businessman Gino Paris.

His offer of a magnificent trophy was accepted by the Queensland Primary Schools Soccer Football Association for intra-state competition for Under 12

players.

The Cup gradually evolved to cover eight teams, with preference given to early supporters of the competition.

Following formation of the Queensland Junior Soccer Council in 1976, the Gino Paris Cup covered part of the state and the Harry Lining competition the rest.

Eight teams competed and they were to be drawn from the leading associations.

The allocation, dependent on player strength, was Far North Queensland Zone 1 — two teams, North Queensland Zone 2 — three teams, Central Queensland Zone 3 — two teams, North West Queensland Zone 7 — one team.

The firmly established Gino Paris Cup Carnival has a great history behind it, and surely a great one ahead.

— BARBARA PRESTON

International Profile



DEBBIE BONSHORE

AT 17, Debbie Bonshore was selected by Australian coach Jim Selby as back-up goalkeeper to Vicki Salmons for the World Women's Invitational Football Tournament in Taiwan last December.

This young, red-haired, freckle-faced girl from Newcastle, the "baby" of the Australian squad, has excellent qualities to become a first-class goalkeeper in years to come.

Northern NSW's young custodian has sharp eyesight, very quick reflexes, good safe hands and courage.

During training sessions in Taipei City, the older, more experienced members of the Australian team really tested young Debbie out after going easy on her in the first two days.

But the youngster's fighting qualities soon surfaced and faced her challengers with great determination. She repeatedly blocked shots fired at her by her senior internationals to win their admiration and respect.

BIRTHDATE: August 19, 1967.

BIRTHPLACE: Bourke, NSW.

HEIGHT: 5'3".

PLAYING POSITION: Goalkeeper.

OCCUPATION: Trainee with the Shell company to become a garage operator.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: Charlestown and Toronto.

FAVOURITE MUSIC: INXS and Nik Kershaw.

FAVOURITE FILM STARS: Harrison Ford and Richard Gere.

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: Vicki Salmons, Julie Dolan and David Lowe.

FAVOURITE OVERSEAS PLAYERS: West Germany's No 10, Silvia Neid.

WHAT IMPRESSED YOU MOST AT THE WORLD TOURNAMENT IN TAIWAN: Being my first trip for Australia, everything. But the opening ceremony and overall organisation was really good.

WHAT DO YOU HATE MOST WHEN OVERSEAS: Waiting to go through customs.

ADVICE TO OFFICIALS FOR FUTURE TOURS: A little better organisation and planning for such wonderful trips.

LISMORE HOST BIG TITLES

THERE won't be much accommodation available in Lismore over the Queen's Birthday weekend.

The State Championships are being held and teams from Armidale, Tamworth, Newcastle, Macquarie and the Central Coast will converge on the Far North Coast township.

The championships will be decided in Under 15, Under 17 and open divisions from June 8-10.

Players are also in contention for selection in various state squads to contest national titles.

A disco presentation night will be held on the completion of the titles.

Northern NSW will be sending an U15 and U17 squad to Tasmania in July for the national titles, while their senior team travels to Melbourne in August.

An innovation in Northern NSW this year

is that their state coaches will have sole selection of teams.

The appointed coaches are: U15 Allan Kitchen; U17 Austin Butler; seniors Lionel Sneyd.

Assisting the players in Lismore will be Bill Fenney, the former Sydney City physiotherapist.

Last December, Bill was engaged by the AWSA to travel with the Australian team to Taiwan for the World Women's Tournament.

He received very high praise from Australian coach Jim Selby and all national players, who maintain he was a miracle worker.

The Northern NSW Executive told ASW that they were very fortunate to obtain the ser-

vices and skills of Bill.

Bill served the Slickers NSL club for seven consecutive years.

Eddie Thomson, Sydney City coach and national assistant coach, said: "Bill is magic. He is the best physio I've seen working with soccer players."

Northern NSW's strength has been greatly boosted by Bill's presence.

Senior coach Lionel Sneyd believes that the black and whites will be a good bet this season.

The junior national titles will be played at Wentworth Park, Rugby Road, Howrah, Tasmania, from July 9-14.

Open division national titles will be staged at Wembley Park, Box Hill, Victoria, from August 28 to September 6.

KEEPER RUSHED TO HOSPITAL

VICKI SALMONS, Australia's attractive star goalkeeper, was rushed to North Harbour Hospital in Harbord, Sydney, with an injury to her left knee she suffered training with her club, Killarney.

Australia's leading sports specialist, Dr Merv Cross, immediately performed an operation and found that Vicki had damaged her cruciate ligament as well as her medial cartilage.

The cruciate ligament, which had come right off the bone, was repaired and the medial cartilage was taken out.

Vicki will have her left leg in plaster for six weeks, and will be restricted on crutches for a further six weeks before she starts intensive training with weights.



VICKI SALMONS

AWSA Executive member, Mrs Irene Sneyd, upon hearing about Vicki's plight, told ASW: "The AWSA and all members of the Australian team would like to wish Vicki a very speedy recovery as she is a most valuable mem-

ber of the national side."

The star goalkeeper, who almost single-handedly blocked the West German team in Taiwan in the World Women's Invitational Tournament, is expected to be out of action for up to five months.

"The injury couldn't have come at a worse time, as I was keyed up for a big season this year."

"I sustained the injury in free play at training and not in making a dive," Vicki told us.

SPORTS FASHIONS SPONSOR

SPORTS FASHIONS, one of Australia's leading manufacturers of ladies wear, will once again sponsor Sydney City's women's team this season.

The girls from the Sydney City women's team are in a fortunate position in having have Sports Fashions behind them to ease their financial burden.

Mr Howard Lowe, a director of the Hakoah Club and managing director of Sports

Fashions, has seen to it that his company sponsors the Sydney City women's soccer team for the last three years.

The sponsorship package comprises the supply of all playing strips, track-suits and a cash content.

This year, five regular first team players

have left the squad and Sydney City now is looking for capable replacements (see advert below).

Sydney City's women's team once again will be coached by popular Aad Van Der Stap and Phil Hughes.



MR HOWARD LOWE from Sports Fashions seen here with Karen McCann (left) holding her Best and Fairest Player 1984 plaque and Sharon Sampson with her Most Improved Player 1984 Cup.

International Profile



KIM DUNLOP

KIM DUNLOP, aged 17, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to Australia with her family to live in Brisbane.

She was selected in the Australian squad to travel to Taiwan for the Women's World Cup tournament, but before the squad flew out of Sydney Kim suffered a nasty injury.

In a training session the day before departure, Kim twisted her left ankle when she went over in a pot-hole on the poor Moore Park surface.

Bill Fenney, the Australian physio, immediately packed the ankle in ice, but Kimmy's world seemed shattered. Nevertheless, she hobbled onto the aircraft, but was unable to train in Taiwan for the first 10 days.

She finally made her debut for Australia when she came on as a sub against New Zealand in the last 10 minutes of the match.

BIRTHDATE: September 15, 1967.

BIRTHPLACE: Glasgow, Scotland.

HEIGHT: 5'6".

PLAYING POSITION: Midfielder but sweeper for Queensland.

OCCUPATION: Secretary for Parsons Air-conditioning.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: Annerley and Riverside.

FAVOURITE MUSIC: Billy Joel and Bruce Springsteen.

FAVOURITE FILM STARS: Mel Gibson and Harrison Ford.

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: Julie Dolan, Joanne Millman.

FAVOURITE OVERSEAS PLAYERS: Glenn Hoddle and Germany's No 10, Silvia Neid.

WHAT IMPRESSED YOU MOST AT THE WORLD TOURNAMENT IN TAIWAN: The West German team. Plus the high degree of organisation by their football association and the high standard of play by some of the teams.

WHAT DO YOU HATE MOST WHEN OVERSEAS: The travel costs involved and poor squad preparation before departure.

ADVICE TO OFFICIALS FOR FUTURE TOURS: If possible, to give the girls more financial assistance and preparation for these trips.

SYDNEY CITY WOMEN'S TEAM

Players Wanted



Experienced players (including goalkeepers) are now invited to trial with the above club which plays in the District 1 Division Soccer.

For further information, please contact! Mr Aad Van Der Stap, phone 308 811(ah).

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ZICO JAIL THREAT

ZICO is in big trouble in Italy.

It is alleged he illegally sent money to his Brazilian bank account via Switzerland and also that he is guilty of substantial tax evasion.

The penalty facing Zico is one to six years in jail plus a fine of two to four times the value of cash remitted illegally.

His lawyer claims the cash was sent legally. The amount involved in \$685,000.



LOKEREN'S TAXING HEADACHE

BELGIUM's Lokeren club is having a battle with the tax man and will be struggling to settle debts which were revealed in a tax investigation.

So players will have to be sold.

British clubs are keen to buy Scottish international Jim Bett, and Bett would be happy to return to the UK.

Southampton are favourites for his signature for a transfer fee of \$370,000, but they will have opposition.

Bett's former club, Glasgow Rangers, will bid and so will Scotland's leading club, Aberdeen.



ZICO behind bars at his Spanish hotel during the 1982 World Cup Finals. He won't be smiling at the prospect of the real thing.



MILOS SESTIC

EXILES GET CALL-UP

YUGOSLAVIA has called up its foreign mercenaries in a bid to improve the international team's performances.

Following the miserable 1-0 home win against the minnows of Luxemburg, the Yugoslavians sent an SOS for big centre — forward Vahid Halichodzic who plays for Nantes and is the leading goalscorer in the

French first division. Yugoslavia also sent to Greece for winger Milos Sestic and midfielder star Velimir Zajec. All three were in the squad for the Yugoslavia v France World Cup elimination match in Sarajevo.

THOSE WEARY TRAVELLERS

TOO much air travel is being blamed for a slump in playing standards in Brazilian football.

Doctors claim the travel causes players emotional distress because it involves long waits at airports, lack of proper rest and poor quality meals on journeys.

Brazil is a big country and many domestic flights are the equivalent of overseas travel in terms of hours spent in the air.

Latest suggestion is for clubs to charter their own planes or buy them so they would not depend on public transport.

POP ROCKS SOCCER

THERE'S a conflict of interests between two different "sports" in Brazil, with soccer suffering.

A pop group called "Menuido" from Puerto Rico held concerts in Morumbi and Vila Belmiro on football grounds — after which both grounds were put out of action because they were so badly damaged.

The concerts brought in \$575,000 but it was at the sacrifice of soccer.

Sao Paulo has plenty of venues for rock shows and the locals want to know why football grounds have to be desecrated.

PICERNI QUILTS

COACH Jair Picerni took over Brazil's disorganised Olympic squad and managed to get the Silver Medal at Los Angeles.

He has not been so successful with his club, Corinthians.

Picerni resigned after alleging he was abused by fans, officials and the media.

On one occasion, the irate fans invaded the team dressing room for a showdown with the coach.

Trouble is, Corinthians is a club which demands instant success.

That is what faces the new coach Carlos Alberto Torres and he cannot be happy about it.

Jair Picerni, meanwhile, will be another good Brazilian coach lost to the Arabs.

'ARCHIGOAL!'

SPANISH football writers have a new name for Barcelona's star forward Steve Archibald — they call him "Archigoal".

The Scottish international's big goals tally did much to take the first division title to Barcelona for the first time in 11 years.

But Archibald is not kidded by recent media adulation.

He remembers when he first arrived in Barcelona how the newspapers doubted his ability.

When he scored only one goal in his first 10 games, one sports writer asked him: "What can you do — apart from nothing?"

Archibald says his success in Spain was helped by the fact that "I was the only British player to go abroad and play for a club with a British coach."



LAURIE CUNNINGHAM

LAURIE'S STRUGGLE

OLYMPIQUE MARSEILLE are thinking about cancelling Laurie Cunningham's contract because he has not come up to expectations.

Cunningham, ex-West Bromwich Albion and Real Madrid winger, has not adapted successfully to French footballing styles.

BLOKHIN NEAR END

OLEG BLOKHIN, the brilliant Russian left winger, is nearing retirement and has no intention of carrying on after next year's World Cup in Mexico.

Blokhin is 33 and is probably Russia's most famous footballer since the days of Lev Yashin.

CHILE'S BIG CROWD

CHILE is not one of South America's big nations but it can produce good crowds for important matches.

For instance, when Chile beat Uruguay 2-0 in a World Cup elimination match, the ground in Santiago accommodated 80,000.

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ONE of Italy's most dangerous gangs of kidnappers made plans to snatch the Brazilian maestro Falcão from A.S. Roma.

Luckily, the 25-strong gang was discovered by police.

The gang members confessed they planned to kidnap several important people — including the great Falcão.

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DANIEL GONZALEZ, the Uruguayan who played for Vasco, was killed in a car accident in Rio.

The tragedy happened after a party in the home of his teammate Claudio Adao.

UK Scene



ASA HARTFORD celebrates Norwich's winning goal in the Milk Cup Final.

CANARIES ARE RICH

NORWICH CITY's win in the Final of the Milk Cup at Wembley produced the biggest payday in the club's history.

Each player in the side picked up \$16,000 win bonus.

It was a generous gesture but long overdue. After all, this is the first major trophy Norwich City has ever won.

ALVIN
ODD
MAN
OUT



CLARKE
CLIMBS
LADDER

WHEN England's team to play the Republic of Ireland was named, only one player was dumped from the squad which beat Northern Ireland.

The unlucky man out was West Ham centre-half Alvin Martin, and he wasn't happy about it.

"Why me? What did I do wrong in Belfast? There are not enough words to describe how disappointed I am," said Martin.

The sacking was particularly cruel because Martin has just fought his way back from injury after being out of the English side for two years.

YOU get some idea of Northern Ireland's shortage of top international players from the fact that Colin Clarke was picked to play against Spain.

Clarke is an English Fourth Division player with Tranmere Rovers.

But team boss Billy Bingham isn't worried. He has often had to scout in the lower divisions for his players.

Said Bingham: "I have a knack of spotting nobodies and turning them into somebodies and I think Colin will be one of them."

ARSENAL SACK PAT

PAT JENNINGS (right), having just created a British record by playing 109 internationals for Northern Ireland, is no longer wanted by Arsenal.

Jennings was given a free transfer but he is still anxious to remain in the game.

He said: "I wanted to finish my career at Highbury but I am sure I can carry on for another couple of years."

"Arsenal are planning for the future and I don't fit into those plans."

But no matter which club he joins, Jennings, 39, will still be first-choice for the Irish squad.

His international team-mates John O'Neill, David McCreery and Sammy McIlroy all paid handsome tributes to him and said he is a "must" for Northern Ireland.

McIlroy said: "Retirement is a bit premature for Pat. I still think of him as one of the world's finest goalkeepers."

It was eight years ago when Spurs decided Jennings was over the

hill, selling him to neighbours Arsenal.

It took Spurs a long time to find a suitable replacement but Jennings played magnificently for his new club.

Last season, George Wood, a much younger goalkeeper, challenged Jennings for the

first team place at Arsenal.

That particular battle ended with Wood being sold!

Be sure of one thing... Pat Jennings will not have to hawk his services around for long.

He will be snapped up pretty quickly.



PAT JENNINGS



BRIAN TALBOT

TALBOT ON THE MOVE

WATFORD once went to Arsenal to buy a club captain and signed international Pat Rice, who proved an inspiration to the team.

Now Elton John's team has returned to Highbury to negotiate a similar deal.

They expect to recruit Arsenal's Brian Talbot who, despite having an excellent season, is now out of favour.

Watford believe Talbot would be as big an inspiration to their players as was Pat Rice.

Talbot says he will be sorry to leave Highbury but claims: "I obviously have no future at Arsenal."

DRAW FATAL TO SPURS

IT'S looking very much like success for Everton in the fascinating battle for the First Division championship in England.

As challengers Spurs discovered at the weekend, the points system now in operation provides little reward for drawn games.

Spurs drew 1-1 with West Ham United and the loss of those two points could well cost the London club the title.

If any team can overhaul Everton it must be Manchester United, easy victors by 5-0 over Stoke City on Saturday.

But time is running out for United. They are four points behind Everton but have played two matches more.

United face eight games while Everton have 10.

A brisk walk across a public park takes you from Anfield to Goodison Park in soccer-mad Liverpool and that is the walk the championship trophy seems likely to take.

Liverpool have fought back bravely after looking relegation material early in the season but all the points dropped before Christmas have cost Liverpool the championship.

At the weekend, Liverpool won at Leicester 1-0, thanks to a Ronnie Whelan goal just before full-time but they are still 12 points adrift of their Merseyside rivals.

Andy Gray supplied the killer punch in Everton's 4-1 win against Sunderland, getting two goals before half-time.

Sunderland were first to score through Ian Wallace in the second minute of the match, but Gray's two goals plus others later from Trevor Steven and Graeme

Sharp ended any hopes Sunderland might have had of a shock result.

Jesper Olsen and Mark Hughes bagged two goals each for United with Norman Whiteside the other scorer.

Oxford and Manchester City look set for promotion from Second Division but there will be a great battle for the other promotion spot between Portsmouth, Blackburn Rovers and Birmingham City.

Aberdeen are almost home in the Scottish Premier Division, following an excellent 2-1 result against Rangers at Ibrox Park, with Steve Cowan and Eric Black the marksmen.

Celtic, their closest challengers, also won away, beating Hearts 2-0 at Tynecastle.

The champions, Aberdeen, sit securely on a six points advantage over Celtic although the Parkhead side have one match in hand.

Morton, with a miserable tally of only 11 points from 32 games, are certain to be relegated to First Division.

Dundee United, in third place, despatched Morton to the lower division with a 5-0 drubbing at Tannadice.

FOOTNOTE: The nightmare season for Tommy Docherty at Wolves persists with not a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel.

On Saturday, Wolves flopped yet again, beaten 1-0 by Shrewsbury at Molineux. The Doc's team is now surely doomed to Third Division football next season.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE: Arsenal 2 Norwich 0, Aston Villa 3 Sheffield Wednesday 0, Chelsea 1, Queen's Park Rangers 0, Coventry 1, Luton 0, Everton 4, Sunderland 1, Ipswich 1, Nottingham Forest 0, Leicester 0, Liverpool 1, Manchester United 5, Stoke 0, Newcastle 1, West Bromwich 0, Watford 1, Southampton 1, West Ham 1, Tottenham 1.

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO: Barnsley 0 Manchester City 0, Cardiff 0, Oxford 2, Charlton 1, Crystal Palace 1, Leeds 0, Blackburn 0, Middlesbrough 1, Carlisle 2, Notts County 2, Wimbledon 3, Oldham 2, Huddersfield 2, Portsmouth 1, Brighton 1, Sheffield United 0, Fulham 1, Wolverhampton 0, Shrewsbury 1, Grimsby 1, Birmingham 0.

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE: Bolton 1 Wigan 0, Bournemouth 0, Cambridge 0, Bristol Rovers 3, Brentford 0, Burnley 1, York 1, Derby 1, Gillingham 0, Doncaster 0, Bradford City 3, Hull City 2, Millwall 1, Lincoln 0, Orient 0, Preston 1, Walsall 0, Reading 0, Newport 1, Rotherham 0, Swansea 1, Plymouth 1, Bristol City 0.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Everton	32	21	6	5	71	35	69			
Man United	34	19	8	7	67	36	65			
Tottenham	33	18	7	8	62	35	61			
Liverpool	33	16	9	8	49	25	57			
Arsenal	35	16	7	12	53	42	55			
Southampton	34	15	9	10	44	41	54			
Shef Wed	33	13	13	7	49	36	52			
Notts Forest	33	15	5	13	47	41	50			
Chelsea	32	13	10	9	48	36	49			
Aston Villa	34	13	10	11	48	48	49			
Leicester	34	12	6	16	54	57	42			
West Bromwich	34	12	6	16	45	52	42			
Norwich	32	11	9	12	39	46	42			
QPR	34	10	11	13	40	53	41			
Newcastle	34	10	11	13	48	62	41			
Watford	33	9	11	13	59	60	38			
West Ham	33	9	10	12	38	49	37			
Sunderland	33	9	7	17	36	50	34			
Coventry	31	10	4	17	35	51	34			
Ipswich	31	8	9	14	30	44	33			
Luton	31	8	8	15	37	53	32			
Stoke	33	3	8	22	20	67	17			

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Oxford	33	19	7	7	64	28	64			
Man City	35	18	10	7	53	29	64			
Portsmouth	35	16	14	5	57	41	62			
Blackburn	34	17	9	8	55	36	60			
Birmingham	34	18	16	10	43	30	60			
Brighton	35	15	11	9	38	26	56			
Leeds	35	15	10	10	55	37	55			
Fulham	34	16	6	12	57	54	54			
Shrewsbury	34	14	10	10	58	48	52			
Barnsley	33	13	12	8	39	30	51			
Grimsby	34	15	6	13	60	52	51			
Huddersfield	33	14	8	11	46	48	50			
Wimbledon	33	13	6	14	62	67	45			
Carlisle	35	13	6	16	46	53	45			
Oldham	35	12	7	16	39	57	43			
Shef Utd	34	10	11	13	50	53	41			
Charlton	34	10	9	15	43	49	39			
Crystal Pal	33	7	12	14	37	54	33			
Middlesbrough	35	7	9	19	35	51	30			
Notts County	35	7	6	22	35	65	27			
Wolves	35	6	8	21	31	63	26			
Cardiff	34	6	7	21	38	70	25			

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Bradford	37	24	7	6	63	33	79			
Hull	38	20	12	6	63	40	72			
Millwall	36	20	9	7	56	33	69			
Gillingham	36	19	7	10	60	49	64			
Bristol City	36	19	6	11	58	39	63			
Bristol Rovers	36	17	9	10	52	39	60			
Walsall	36	16	10	10	52	39	58			
Rotherham	38	16	10	12	51	44	58			
Bournemouth	38	16	9	13	43	37	57			
York City	38	16	7	15	59	49	55			
Reading	34	16	7	11	53	46	55			
Derby	37	15	9	13	52	46	54			
Newport	36	13	11	12	46	46	50			
Doncaster	37	14	7	16	58	58	49			
Plymouth	37	11	12	14	51	56	45			
Bolton	39	13	5	21	54	58	44			
Lincoln	36	10	13	13	41	38	43			
Brentford	36	11	9	16	47	58	42			
Wigan	35	9	12	14	37	47	39			
Preston	37	11	4	22	41	80	37			
Burnley	37	8	12	17	51	59	36			
Orient	37	9	9	19	42	63	36			

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR: Crewe 1 Aldershot 1, Hartlepool 0, Halifax 1, Hereford 2, Colchester 1, Mansfield 0, Chesterfield 0, Port Vale 0, Bury 0, Rochdale 1, Blackpool 1, Stockport 2, Scunthorpe 0, Swindon 2, Southend 0, Torquay 1, Exeter 1, Tranmere 3, Darlington 0, Wrexham 2, Chester 0, Chester 1, Peterborough 3.

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION: Dumbarton 0, Hibernian 2, Dundee United 5, Morton 0, Hearts 0, Celtic 2, Rangers 1, Aberdeen 2, St Mirren 4, Dundee 2.

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE: Airdrieonians 2, Forfar 4, Clyde 2, Brechin 2, Kilmarnock 0, Falkirk 3, Meadowbank 0, Clydebank 0, Motherwell 5, East Fife 0, Partick 3, Arbroath 0, Stenhousemuir 1, Hamilton 2.

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO: Alloa 0, Berwick 0, Dunfermline 0, Raith 0, Stirling 0, East Stirling 1, Cowdenbeath 2, Montrose 0, Albion 0, Queen's Park 1, Arbroath 0, Stenhousemuir 1, Stirling 0, Stranraer 1, Queen of the South 2.

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Swansea	37	8	8	21	41	70	32			
Cambridge	36	3	8	25	32	76	17			
Chesterfield	37	20	11	6	56	32	71			
Bury	37	20	10	7	62	40	70			
Darlington	36	20	10	6	52	35	70			
Blackpool	37	20	9	8	53	32	69			
Hereford	36	19	9	8	56	33	66			
Colchester	37	17	11	9	72	54	62			
Tranmere	37	19	3	15	69	53	60			
Crewe	38	17	9	12	56	50	60			
Scunthorpe	38	16	11	11	66	49	59			
Peterborough	39	16	11	12	50	43	59			
Swindon	38	17	7	14	49	50	58			
Port Vale	37	12	15	10	48	44	51			
Hartlepool	38	12	10	16	48	54	46			
Mansfield	36	10	15	11	32	27	45			
Exeter	38	11	11	16	52	71	44			
Stockport	36	12	7	17	53	60	43			
Southend	38	11	10	17	53	75	43			
Aldershot	35	11	8	16	41	53	41			
Chester	37	10	8	19	46	58	38			
Halifax	38	11	4	23	30	58	37			
Torquay	37	8	12	17	32	51	36			
Wrexham	37	9	7	21	54	62	34			
Rochdale	34	8	10	16	38	52	34			
Northampton	37	7	4	26	38	70	25			

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Aberdeen	32	24	4	4	79	24	52			
Celtic	31	20	6	5	70	27	46			
Dundee Utd	32	18	6	8	62	30	42			
Rangers	31	11	11	9	39	33	33			
St Mirren	32	14	4	14	41	51	32			
Hearts	32	13	5	14	44	50	31			
Dundee	31	11	6	14	42	50	28			
Hibernian	32	8	6	18	34	55	22			
Dumbarton	31	6	7	18	29	54	19			
Morton	32	5	1	26	27	93	11			